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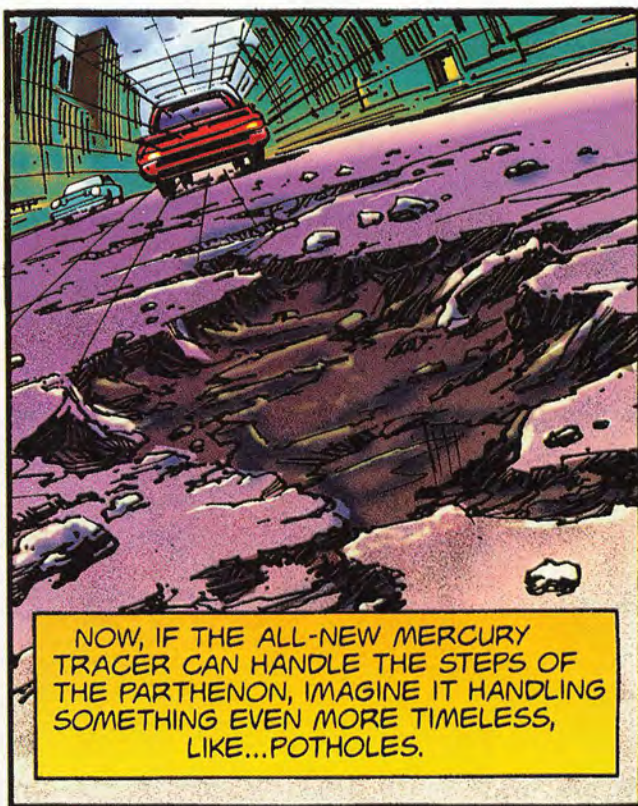


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Of all the time-honored college football traditions, it's appropriate that the most lasting laurels of all lie with the players' marks made on the field of play — venerable performances that ring long and loud after the final whistle. Writer Andrew Bagnato takes you on a riveting journey through the sport's heroic milestones, from the late October afternoon in 1924 when the Galloping Ghost, Red Grange, ran wild over Michigan to last season's herculean 313-yard production by the Wolverines' Tim Biakabutuka against archrival Ohio State, which knocked the Buckeyes out of the national championship race. A recount of college football's most historic performances begins on page 24.



Remember the freshman class of 1986? That year Athlon's Top 100 featured Jeff George rated No. 1 and several other players currently sprinkled throughout NFL rosters. We wanted to know what yesterday's stars, who disappeared from the sports pages, are doing now. Do you remember who was No. 2 on the list? I'm sure few fans outside Missouri will recall the best running back in the nation that year. Find out why Tony Vanzant, rated by all experts as a can't-miss prospect, never played a down in the NFL. Sam Carchidi tracked down the most compelling stories from this class. The story begins on page 90.



We assigned Columbus photographer Joe Giblin to portray Ohio State linemen Orlando Pace, Matt Finkes and Mike Vrabel in a campus setting. Finkes was available for only 25 minutes between classes, so Giblin used his six-year-old son as a model to set up the shots. Giblin and son then prepared 42 pancakes for the Pace pictorial, complete with lots of butter and syrup per the lineman's request. There's still no word on how many pancakes were actually consumed. Read more about The Pancake Man and the two defensive ends beginning on page 58.

No rivalry has captured broader attention over so many years as the Army-Navy game. On page 71, Jack Clary recounts this consummate classic and the stars who were blinding in their brilliance for both academics — Cagle, Blanchard, Davis, Holleder, Cutter, Bellino,

Staubach — All-Americans who took their place in the great game while all of America watched . . . or listened. And though neither school no longer boasts a program of national prominence, this game still maintains an indefinable magic for the true college football fan.

Former Eagle (singer, not football player) Glenn Frey once warbled in song, "The Heat Is On" — and you better believe Kentucky's big catch, quarterback Tim Couch, will be feeling it. No 18-year-old freshman deserves this much pressure, but welcome to big-time college football, Tim. Rick Bailey takes you up close with America's prep offensive player of the year beginning on page 76.

In keeping with Athlon tradition, we've taken pause to reflect on the lovely ladies of the sidelines, pictorially presented on page 175.

For those of you who have requested more information about the schools, our Fan's Guide, beginning on page 185, is user-friendly. For every Division I school we've included information such as ticket prices, location, phone numbers, stadium information and enrollment. We hope you find it helpful and fun.

No doubt most of you will find the all-time teams for each school fascinating material for endless discussion. Athlon's own historian, senior editor George Leonard, spearheaded the selections along with assistant editor Kevin Daniels. Imagine our dilemma. How do you pick the all-time tailback from USC? The all-time quarterback from Brigham Young or Miami? The best of the beef that has manned the Nebraska Cornhuskers' offensive lines? Athlon's all-time teams are listed at the end of each team preview. As always, we welcome hearing from you on your own favorites. Write us, fax us at (615) 327-1149 or e-mail your responses to [athlon@nashville.net](mailto:athlon@nashville.net).

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## **Andrew Bagnato, *Chicago Tribune***

Andy pretended he wasn't surprised when his alma mater, Northwestern, won more games last autumn than it had in his entire undergraduate career. Bagnato's lone regret was that he hadn't laid a \$5 bet on the Wildcats to win the Big Ten — a wager that would have paid the college tuition of his year-old daughter, Emma.

The 33-year-old Bagnato, raised in Scottsdale, Ariz., is in his 12th year as a reporter at the *Chicago Tribune*. He has covered the Chicago Cubs and White Sox, and has spent the last three years focusing on the Big Ten and national college football. The Evanston, Ill., resident is a member of The Associated Press college football poll board, a position that entitles him to receive hate mail from such diverse locales as South Bend, Lincoln and Auburn.

This is Bagnato's first appearance in *Athlon Sports*. His recap of college football's top performances begins on page 24.

## **Dick Fenlon, *The Columbus Dispatch***

There seems to be a common theme in the sportswriting life of Columbus, Ohio, native Dick Fenlon, who was urged for most of his 19 years at *The Courier-Journal* and *Louisville Times* to go back to Ohio. When he made that move 15 years ago, to become a sports columnist for *The Columbus Dispatch*, the call was only slightly different: Go back to Kentucky! He remembers that one of his fans went so far as to mail him a one-way bus ticket.

While in Louisville, Dick covered University of Kentucky and Louisville sports, and was sports editor and columnist at the *Times* for nine years. He's a 1952 graduate of Ohio State and saw his first college football game — Ohio State vs. Fort Knox — in 1942.

He has been writing for *Athlon Sports* since 1977, covering teams in the Big Ten and contributing features such as **The Pancake Man**, which begins on page 58.

## **Jack Clary**

Jack Clary has written 55 books and more than 200 articles during nearly a quarter-century as a free-lance sports author. He spent 15 years as a sportswriter and columnist for The Associated Press, *New York World-Telegram & Sun* and *Boston Herald Traveler*. His books on college football include illustrated team histories of Alabama, USC and a soon-to-be published history of football at the U.S. Naval Academy. Jack has also written a history of the Army-Navy series and an anthology, *College Football's Greatest Coaches*. In addition, he has been a regular contributor for the past 12 years to *Touchdown Publications'* special insert that appears in some 170 college football programs around the country. He has been honored by the College Sports Information Directors of America and is a member of the Fordham University Athletic Hall of Fame.

In 1995, Jack contributed an article to *Athlon Sports* on Army's great running back tandem, Doc Blanchard and Glenn Davis, celebrating the 50th anniversary of their heroics at West Point. His story on Army and Navy begins on page 71 and is the latest addition to *Athlon's* Great Rivalries series, a regular feature since 1981.

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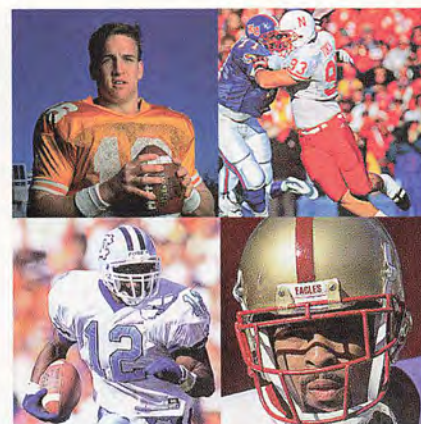
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# OUT IN FRONT WITH ATHLON

## '96: What's Ahead '95: What a Year!

by Kevin Daniels

### HALLELUJAH, A PLAYOFF!

A January 10, 1996, syndicated column opened with the question, "Will college football teams ever battle it out for a national championship?" This appeared in the sports pages eight days after Nebraska and Florida did just that!

There is no law that says a playoff has to be more than one game — how often do more than two teams lay credible claim to the national championship? — and the Bowl Alliance has already provided one in just its first year of existence. When the Cornhuskers and the Gators met in last year's playoff, a.k.a. the Fiesta Bowl, the issue was settled to the satisfaction of all who witnessed the carnage as Nebraska prevailed in a 62-24 romp. In 1994, there were two contenders still standing at season's end, Nebraska and Penn State, but the Rose Bowl's contractual tie-ins prevented a title game.

However, the Big Ten and Pacific-10 conferences' grudging resistance to the alliance is weakening. Serious discussions involving school presidents from both leagues have resulted in two possible plans to tie the Rose Bowl into the alliance once the contract that unites the Fiesta, Orange and Sugar Bowls and their affiliated conferences comes up for revision following the 1997 season. In one scenario, if a Big Ten or Pac-10 team finishes the regular season No. 1, the No. 2 team would be invited to the Rose Bowl to play for the title. If one or the other is ranked No. 2, it would be freed of its Rose Bowl obligation to meet the No. 1 team elsewhere. The other plan would have the Rose Bowl participating in the alliance more regularly, matching Nos. 1 and 2 every fourth year with its traditional Big Ten-Pac-10 showdown the other three years. Either proposal would have to meet with the approval of the Rose Bowl, which has the Big Ten and Pac-10 champions locked up until the year 2001, and the alliance. Regardless, we should enter the 21st century with no foreseeable obstacles to a No. 1 vs. No. 2 postseason matchup year in and year out, and it could happen as early as 1998 if the parties to the Bowl Alliance can be persuaded. The national obsession with "Who's Number One?" will, or should, be satisfied.

The question that is always asked, when the subject arises, is: Why is it wrong for the schools in Division I-A to have a championship tourna-

ment when all other divisions have one? The answer is twofold: 1) Division I-A has the bowls, and 2) it is just not needed. How could a four- or eight- or 16-team playoff have decided the 1995 national title better than the Fiesta Bowl did? It couldn't. All a bracketed tournament can do, aside from generating a potentially mind-numbing cash flow, is to unnecessarily undermine the tradition-rich institutions that are the bowl games.

While the payout per team in the three Alliance Bowls more than doubled, from an average of \$3.82 million in 1994 to \$8.41 million in 1995, other bowl games have been seriously compromised. With the Southwest Conference champion committed to the alliance, there was no Texas team in the Cotton Bowl, where without a

Even if there were no bowl game tradition, why should last year's phenomenal Cornhusker team, the only one left standing without a blemish on its record, have had to play two or three more games to prove itself champion? If you play enough games against stiff competition, no matter how good you are, sooner or later you're going to lose one (even the 1927 Yankees lost 44 games). Big-time college football finally has found a way to decide its yearly title on the field. Let's not overdo it.

### CONFERENCE CHAOS

The ever-changing college football landscape is dominated by existing conferences rearranging their memberships and shifting geographical scopes — one major conference closed shop last December while another has disassembled and reassembled under a new, expanded grouping — and the arrival on the scene of new leagues embracing former independents and conference castoffs. For both financial and competitive reasons, conference affiliation has become mandatory. Indeed, Notre Dame is the only school left in Division I-A that can survive in the long term as an independent.

Two new conferences take the field in 1996. One of them, the Big 12, comprising all of the former Big Eight schools and four members of the now-defunct Southwest Conference (Texas, Texas A&M, Texas Tech and Baylor), will be divided into northern and southern divisions and will match the division champs in the postseason. The Southeastern Conference has been staging an annual conference championship game since 1992, when it expanded to 12 schools divided into two divisions. Conference USA will don the pads in 1996 after competing one season in all sports except football. Houston, formerly of the SWC, and independents Tulane, Memphis, Louisville, Cincinnati and Southern Mississippi are the charter football members of C-USA, with Central Florida and UAB (both officially reclassified as Division I-A in 1996), Army, Navy and East Carolina prime candidates for membership in the not-too-distant future.

Also in '96, the Western Athletic Conference expands to 16 teams. The ten 1995 members are now joined by SWC schools TCU, SMU and Rice, independent Tulsa and Big West defectors San Jose

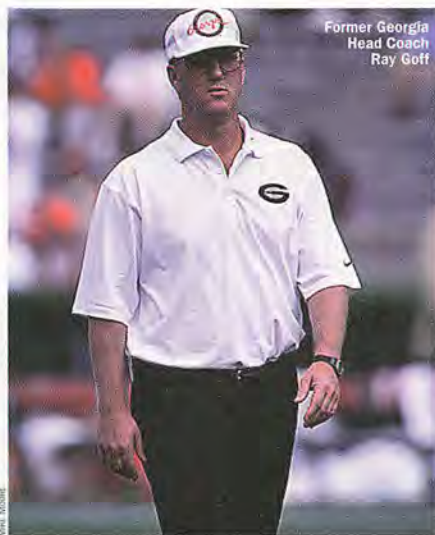


Texas team on the field, there are empty seats in the stands. The Orange Bowl, in order to participate in the alliance, is moving from its own time-honored stadium into the skybox-studded Joe Robbie facility next year. Television ratings for the Orange and Sugar Bowls sagged markedly, due largely to the preponderance of hype surrounding The Big One (which, by the way, will be hosted by the Sugar Bowl this season) on Jan. 2. The alliance has considered shuffling game dates to try to restore the ratings.



State and UNLV. They will be grouped not only in two divisions (Pacific and Mountain) but also in four "quadrants" for scheduling purposes. The Big West, besides losing San Jose State and UNLV to the WAC, also bids adieu to its eastern members, Louisiana Tech, Southwestern Louisiana, Arkansas State and Northern Illinois, all of whom will compete as independents in 1996, with Northern Illinois set to join the Mid-American Conference in 1997. A pair of first-year I-A programs, Idaho and Boise State, Big Sky Conference competitors a year ago, and independent North Texas will try to make up for the losses.

Got it?



Former Georgia Head Coach Ray Goff

## JOB INSECURITY

Georgia coach Ray Goff was let go after an unbelievable plague of injuries wrecked what was shaping up as a banner 1995 season. Bulldog tailback Robert Edwards, a converted defensive back, was running like an all-conference stud, and Mike Bobo had Georgia fans' fond memories of record-setting quarterback Eric Zeier fading quickly, when both were lost for the year in September. Their backups, running back Larry Bowie and quarterback Brian Smith, were felled by injuries before midseason. And one of the SEC's, if not the nation's, best linebackers, Randall Godfrey, missed most of the campaign because of injury. Wide receiver-tailback-quarterback Hines Ward almost single-handedly restored respectability to what might otherwise have been a disastrous outing. Despite the severe attrition, the Bulldogs finished 6-6, yet Goff is gone. Jim Donnan, who built a Division I-AA powerhouse at Marshall, takes the helm in Athens.

Terry Donahue, UCLA's head man for two decades, is relocating to the CBS broadcast booth and has been replaced on the sideline by Bruin offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach Bob Toledo. Oklahoma coach Howard Schnellenberger left town after one year on the job, with Dallas Cowboys defensive line coach John Blake, an Oklahoma graduate, his successor. Other coaching casualties include Rutgers' Doug Graber and California's Keith Gilbertson.

Meanwhile, back in South Bend, Lou Holtz has been guaranteed tenure at Notre Dame "for as long

## DIVISION I-A COACHING CHANGES FOR 1996

### SCHOOL

California

Georgia  
Hawaii

Louisiana Tech

Northern Illinois

Oklahoma

Rutgers

UCLA

### OUT

Keith Gilbertson

Ray Goff  
Bob Wagner

Joe Raymond Peace

Charlie Saddler

Howard Schnellenberger

Doug Graber

Terry Donahue

### IN

Steve Mariucci (Green Bay Packers quarterbacks coach)  
Jim Donnan (Marshall head coach)  
Fred vonAppen (Colorado defensive line coach)  
Gary Crowton (La. Tech offensive coordinator)  
Joe Novak (Indiana defensive coordinator and linebackers coach)  
John Blake (Dallas Cowboys defensive line coach)  
Terry Shea (British Columbia Lions quarterbacks coach)  
Bob Toledo (UCLA offensive coordinator)

as he wants to coach," according to Irish athletic director Michael Wadsworth. That is, as long as the program's integrity, graduation rate and on-the-field success remain satisfactory. Kentucky's Bill Curry and Minnesota's Jim Wacker will remain at their posts following 1995 marks of 4-7 and 3-8, respectively. And Lloyd Carr, who became interim head coach at Michigan last May following the dismissal of Gary Moeller and led the Wolverines to a 9-4 season, has been given a four-year contract.

## MENTORS PASS MILESTONES

One of the happiest moments of the 1995 season was Grambling coach Eddie Robinson's much-anticipated 400th career victory. After defeating Mississippi Valley State 42-6 on Oct. 7 for No. 400, Robinson proceeded to notch Nos. 401 and 402 by season's end. In his 53 years at Grambling, Robinson (402-149-15) has never missed a game. His place in college football lore as a leader and a teacher is etched indelible and his record of winning appears unassailable.

In another section of the country, at Division III St. John's University in Collegeville, Minn., coach John Gagliardi fattened his career coaching win total to 325, surpassing Bear Bryant's 323 along the way. Gagliardi's coaching philosophy requires no wind sprints, laps or agility drills, no tackling in practice and no compulsory weight training. No players are cut or considered too small, and everyone suits up for every game. And



St. John's (Minn.) Coach John Gagliardi

in this relaxed atmosphere, the 68-year-old Gagliardi has posted a 325-99-11 lifetime record and collected three national titles in 47 years.

## SUDDEN LIFE

It all began on Sept. 2, 1995, when Northwestern, the football program with the fourth-

lowest all-time winning percentage (.418) among all 108 Division I-A schools going into the '95 season, defeated Notre Dame, the nation's all-time winningest program (.760) by a 17-15 margin in the season opener for both teams. Certainly, most believed, this must portend a dismal year for the Fighting Irish. Imagine, mighty Notre Dame losing to such a downtrodden lot.

Instead, the Irish marched to a 9-3 record, losing only to the powerful Ohio State and Florida State aggregations the rest of the way. The Wildcats stormed to a 10-2 mark, upending not only Notre Dame but also Big Ten powers Michigan, Penn State, and Wisconsin in a shutout. Northwestern was exactly one fluke play, a fumbled punt snap deep in its own territory, away from a perfect regular season. Imagine, the 1995 Northwestern squad losing to, yes, Miami of Ohio.

Coach Gary Barnett's splendid legions finished undefeated in conference play and landed, albeit with rather a thud (a 41-32 loss to Southern California) in the Rose Bowl. Northwestern placed seven players on the All-Big Ten first team, and the top dogs — er, 'Cats — tailback Darnell Autry, who finished fourth in the 1995 Heisman race, and linebacker Pat Fitzgerald, the conference's leading tackler and Defensive Player of the Year, are back for 1996.

Though less sudden than the miracle in Evanston, what has transpired in Manhattan, Kan., is just as unlikely. Another pack of Wildcats, those of Kansas State, were dead last, No. 108, in winning percentage entering 1995. At .388, K-State was the only Division I-A program below .400 all-time, yet coach Bill Snyder's Wildcats finished 10-2 after going 9-3 in 1994.

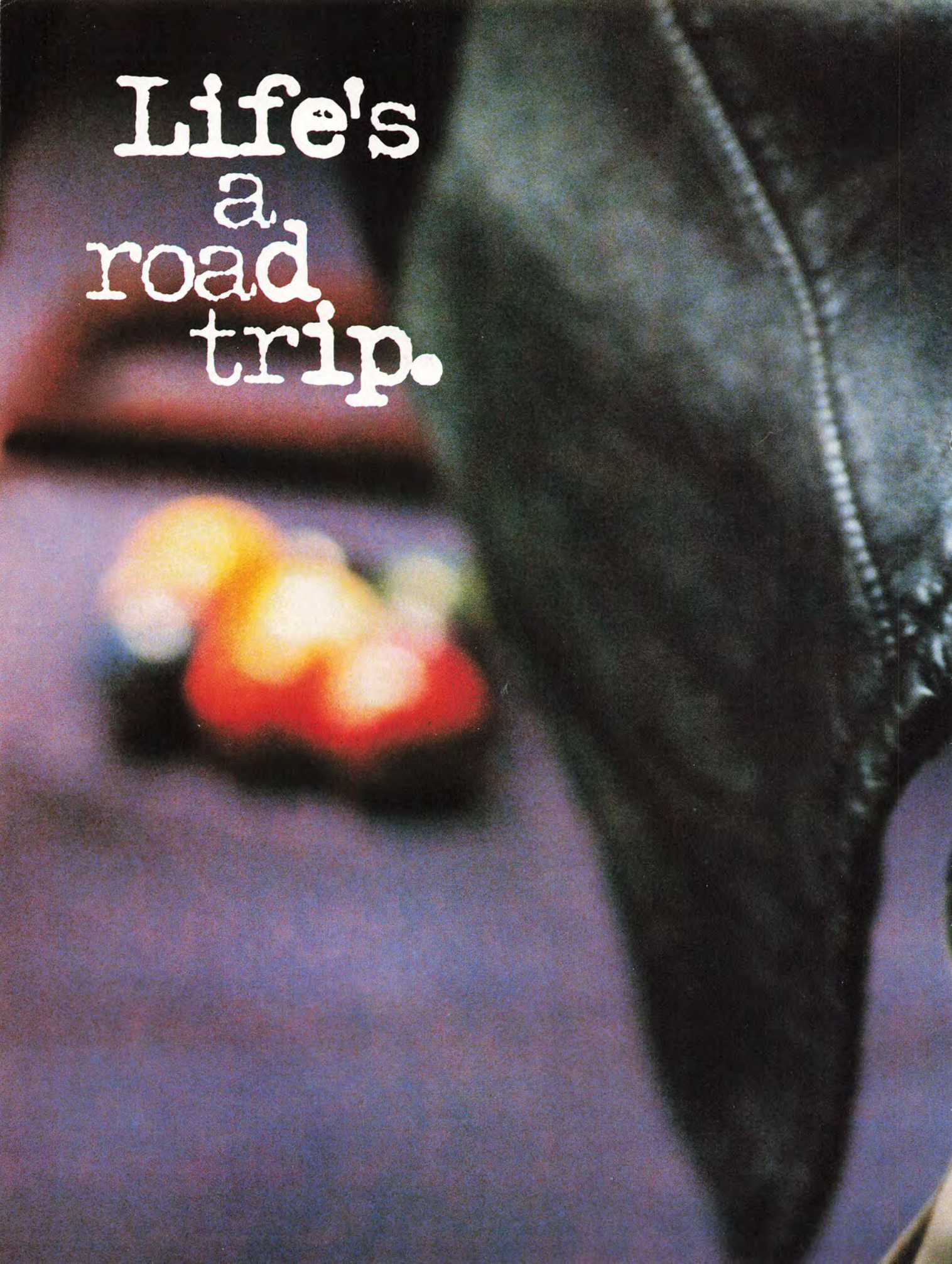
Kansas State's cross-state rival, the University of



Kansas State Coach Bill Snyder



Life's  
a  
road  
trip.







Pack  
your  
Duck  
Heads





Kentucky Coach  
Bill Curry

Kansas, was also 10-2 in Glen Mason's 10th year as coach. Just five years ago, anyone who believed the two Sunflower State schools would win 20 games between them in one season would have been put away. During much of the '80s, they were lucky to beat each other.

Two first-year coaches, Stanford's Tyrone Willingham and Georgia Tech's George O'Leary, and Rick Minter, in his second season at Cincinnati, all breathed life into languishing programs in '95. Willingham, formerly a running backs coach at Stanford, took the Cardinal team the legendary Bill Walsh coached to a 3-7-1 mark in 1994 and turned the record around to 7-4-1 in one year. Willingham succeeded by simplifying things, replacing Walsh's complex schemes with a no-nonsense hit-'em-in-the-mouth approach.

At Georgia Tech, O'Leary was promoted from defensive coordinator to head coach, replacing Bill Lewis with three games remaining in the hopeless 1994 campaign, and the Yellow Jackets improved from 1-10 to 6-5. Minter's Cincinnati club, also 6-5 last season, scored what turned out to be one of the season's unlikely upsets with a 16-0 shutout of Virginia Tech, which finished 1995 in everybody's Top 10. His Bearcats also upended the 9-3 East Carolina Pirates and barely lost to 10-2 Kansas in the game's waning moments and to 10-2 Kansas State as the clock ran out. After a 1-4 start, Minter exhorted his men to five wins in their last six outings. Things are looking up in the Queen City.

### THE SCORING FRENZY

In the Tennessee locker room following Florida's stunning 62-37 assault on the Volunteers on Sept. 16, 1995, coach Phillip Fulmer anticipated reporters' questions by declaring, up front and in no uncertain terms, that he did not hold the lopsided score against Gator coach Steve

## BIGGEST I-A TURNAROUNDS OF 1995

SCHOOL (Coach)	1995	1994	GAMES IMPROVEMENT
Northwestern (Gary Barnett)	10-2-0	3-7-1	6
Arkansas State (John Bobo)	6-5-0	1-10-0	5
Georgia Tech (George O'Leary)	6-5-0	1-10-0	5
Cincinnati (Rick Minter)	6-5-0	2-8-1	3½
San Diego State (Ted Tollner)	8-4-0	4-7-0	3½
Stanford (Tyrone Willingham)	7-4-1	3-7-1	3½
Toledo (Gary Pinkel)	10-1-0	6-4-1	3½
Arizona State (Bruce Snyder)	6-5-0	3-8-0	3
Arkansas (Danny Ford)	8-5-0	4-7-0	3
Kentucky (Bill Curry)	4-7-0	1-10-0	3

Spurrier. "It's my job to stop him!" Bravo, coach. The following Saturday, Penn State beat Rutgers 59-34 with a late 42-yard touchdown pass from backup quarterback Mike McQueary to backup receiver Chris Campbell, igniting an ugly postgame confrontation between Scarlet Knights coach Doug Graber and Penn State's Joe Paterno.

A coach's first obligation is to his players. Few if any coaches would put their reserves, young men who practice hard all week, into the game with instructions to sit on the ball. That would not be fair to them. Backups earn the right to have fun on Saturday. By the same token, it is likely that Graber's angry protestations came from a sense of duty to his own players who were with him on the sideline as they watched the unnecessary touchdown.

Florida State's 70-26 pounding of Duke on the season's first full weekend of action was followed two weeks later by the Seminoles and Nebraska scoring 77 points apiece against North Carolina State and Arizona State, respectively. A controversy was in full swing before the end of September. In the early days of football, stronger teams shutting out their opponents by more than 100 points was not altogether uncommon. In 1916, coach John Heisman's powerful Georgia Tech eleven dispatched Cumberland College 222-0. Today's humiliations fade in comparison, and most (though, unfortunately, not all) are finished by the winners' backups in the fourth quarter.

In Nebraska's 62-24 Fiesta Bowl triumph over Florida, coach Tom Osborne made liberal use of his bench, playing three quarterbacks, five tailbacks and at least two complete offensive lines. On the game's final play, third-string 'Husker quarterback Matt Turman went down on a knee at the Gator



Northwestern Coach  
Gary Barnett

2-yard line to avoid another score. Hence, no public outcry. Until coaches begin regularly leaving their top players in the game to run up the score, this subject is a non-issue

### HOME-FIELD ATTENDANCE LEADERS IN 1995

SCHOOL	AVERAGE
1. Michigan	103,767
2. Tennessee	94,694
3. Penn State	93,591
4. Ohio State	93,510
5. Florida	85,139
6. Georgia	83,948
7. Auburn	81,181
8. Wisconsin	78,222
9. Nebraska	75,659
10. Florida State	74,692

### SATURDAY'S HOT TICKET

Attendance at college football games last fall was down 822,112 from the all-time record of 36,459,896 in 1994 to 35,637,784 — still the





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second-highest total ever. Michigan finished No. 1 in home attendance for the 22nd consecutive year, with an average turnout of 103,767. Tennessee reclaimed its familiar runner-up status at 94,694 after relinquishing second place to Penn State in '94. The Nittany Lions (93,591), Ohio State (93,510) and Florida (85,139) round out the top five.

## RATING THE CONFERENCES

The SEC continues to dominate its non-conference opponents, having finished 1995 first in that category among all 10 Division I-A conferences for the 12th time in the last 16 years with a record of 27-7 (.794). The Big Ten was just percentage points behind at 27-7-1 (.786), with the Big Eight finishing third at 24-7-1 (.766). After these three heavyweight leagues the dropoff is precipitous, with the Pacific-10 fourth at 16-11-1 (.589). Incidentally, the Big West brought up the rear at 10-32 (.238).

## LET'S DANCE

The NCAA's crackdown on unsportsmanlike conduct did not last a full season. The dancing, strutting and posturing drew quick yellow flags in the early stages of 1995, but as game officials came to the realization that they were fighting a losing battle, that many (though by no means all) players were going to disregard the rule regardless of the consequences, as they have for years now, enforcement slackened and virtually disappeared.

Players who conduct themselves with a modicum of class — indeed, some coaches insist upon this — are a refreshing change of pace. They evoke happy memories of a time when players treated the game with more respect than many do today, and when officials actually enforced the unsportsmanlike conduct rule. But today, too many players feel compelled to celebrate shamelessly. Running backs and receivers are supposed to score touchdowns, defensive ends are supposed to sack quarterbacks and defensive backs are supposed to intercept passes. When someone carries out his assignment, why must he behave as though he hadn't expected to? And when a player gets the ball in the end zone, shouldn't he act like he's been there before?

## NO MORE SISTER-KISSING

Those who saw the 1995 Las Vegas Bowl were witness to an historic event, the first overtime game ever played in Division I-A — the NCAA had just officially sanctioned a tiebreaker format for the 1995-96 bowls. In the Las Vegas Bowl, Toledo beat Nevada 40-37 in one overtime period. Rockets star tailback Wasean Tait, who finished the regular season second in rushing behind Iowa State's Troy Davis, ran it in from two yards out after Nevada had gone ahead 37-34 on a field goal to cap its overtime series, and the die was cast.

Football fans have always left tie games feeling flat, like they've just wasted a whole afternoon. If two teams finish a regulation 60-minute football game tied, that means they played on equal terms, that one club was exactly as good as the other on

## 1995 INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

### AWARD

Heisman Trophy (best player)  
Maxwell Trophy (outstanding player)  
Outland Trophy (best lineman)  
Rotary Lombardi (best lineman)  
Davey O'Brien (best quarterback)  
Doak Walker (best running back)  
Fred Biletnikoff (best wide receiver)  
Chuck Bednarik (best defensive player)  
Butkus Award (best linebacker)  
Jim Thorpe (best defensive back)  
Honda Scholar-Athlete Award  
Home Depot Coach of the Year (I-A)

### PLAYER

Eddie George  
Eddie George  
Jonathan Ogden  
Orlando Pace  
Danny Wuerffel  
Eddie George  
Terry Glenn  
Pat Fitzgerald  
Kevin Hardy  
Greg Myers  
Greg Myers  
Gary Barnett

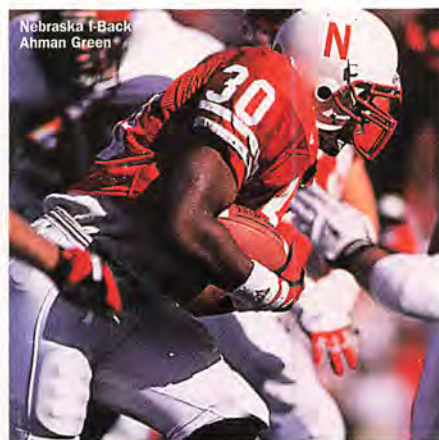
### SCHOOL

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Northwestern  
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Colorado State  
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Northwestern

that day; therefore the game *should* end in a tie. But fans don't like it and, apparently, neither do coaches. An overwhelming mandate in favor of a tiebreaker emerged from a meeting of the American Football Coaches Association on Feb. 11, and college football's main governing body responded within days. The tiebreaker format that has been used since 1981 for Division I-AA, II and III championships and in certain I-AA conferences' regular-season contests — and last year's bowls — goes into effect in 1996 for all NCAA football games that end deadlocked after regulation time.

An overtime period, untimed, consists of two possessions, one by each team beginning on the opponent's 25-yard line, and the game ends when the score is no longer tied after a complete period. According to NCAA Football Rules Committee Chairman Vince Dooley, "People who have been involved in the tiebreaker report it is very exciting, and it will help resolve problems determining conference championships."

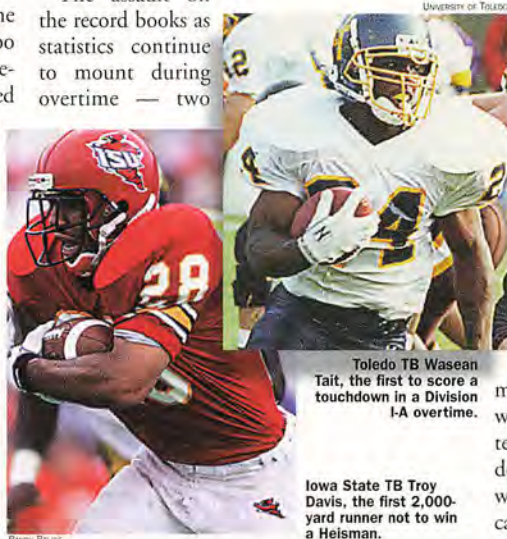
The assault on the record books as statistics continue to mount during overtime — two



obscurity to grab our attention, as did the Northwestern Wildcats and mentor Gary Barnett, Colorado coach Rick Neuheisel and quarterback Koy Detmer (briefly), Ohio State tailback Eddie George and Iowa State tailback Troy Davis a year ago. Games will be played now and then that will shock us, and the occasional conference race may take an interesting twist. For now, however, sportswriters, sportscasters and fans will follow stories suggested by last year's proceedings, and the annual Heisman Derby is always a favorite.

The Danny Wuerffel-Peyton Manning duel in Knoxville on Sept. 21 will be eagerly anticipated. Wuerffel and Manning should be the most avidly promoted and closely scrutinized Heisman Trophy front-runners as the season nears. But let us not forget that Davis, the only 2,000-yard rusher not to win the Heisman, is back for more and that Detmer's name was mentioned early and often in the same sentence with that of John Heisman's before being derailed by an early-season knee injury. If Northwestern can maintain its high level of play, Wildcat tailback Darnell Autry makes it a five-horse race.

However, remembering that George was not even a Heisman candidate this time last year, and that Davis preceded his 1995 rampage with a grand total of 187 yards rushing in '94, a surprise winner is not out of the question. Nebraska tailback Ahman Green has limitless ability and an irresistible force blasting holes open in front of him, but he is only a sophomore, as is Syracuse quarterback Donovan McNabb. Arizona State quarterback Jake Plummer and Notre Dame's



Toledo TB Wasean Tait, the first to score a touchdown in a Division I-A overtime.

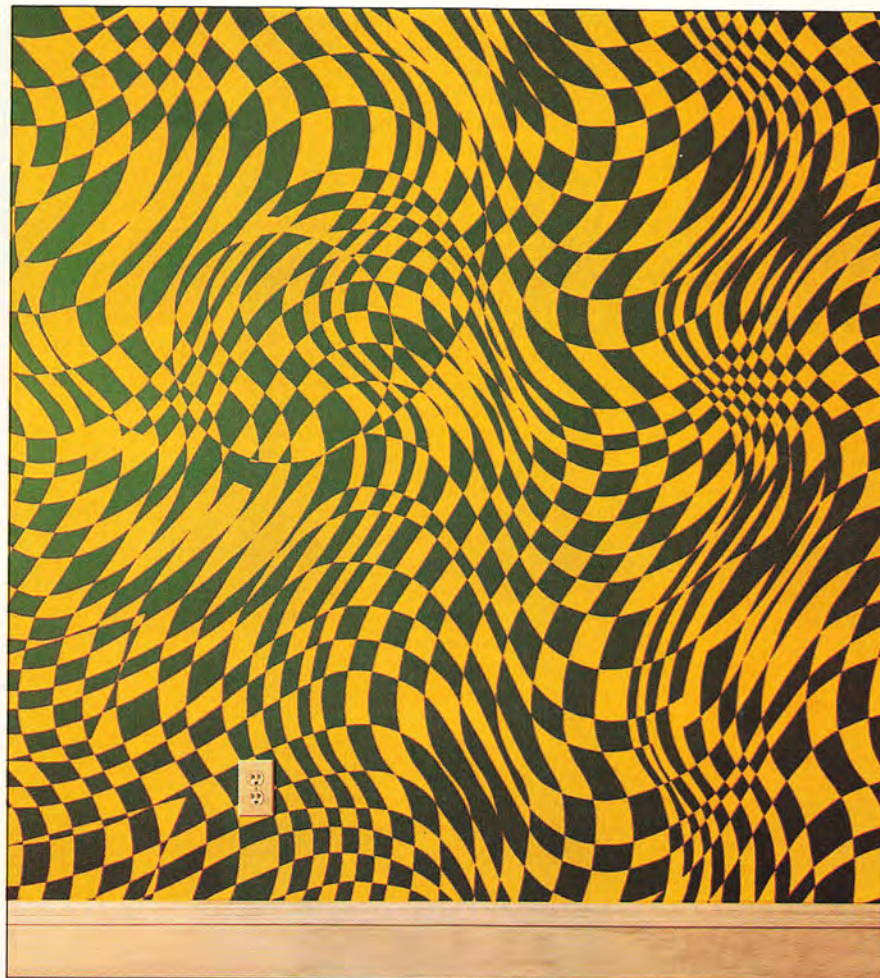
Iowa State TB Troy Davis, the first 2,000-yard runner not to win a Heisman.

explosive offensive clubs could trade scores ad infinitum with such starting field position — and on TV programming when televised tiebreakers run long, could be messy. But there will be a winner and a loser, and fans will leave the game feeling fulfilled.

## STAR GAZING

As the 1996 season unfolds, certain teams, coaches and players will emerge from relative





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Tennessee QB  
Peyton Manning

Ron Powlus are long shots, as are Tait of Toledo and San Diego State's George Jones, who came in No. 3 in rushing last year behind Davis and Tait.

Remember this name: Raymond Priester, the Clemson tailback who rushed for a school-record 1,286 yards and a 5.8-yard average as a 1995 sophomore. Priester has almost his entire supporting cast back, and the Tigers just keep getting better under third-year coach Tommy West (5-6 in 1994; 8-4 in '95). And if first-year Georgia coach Jim Donnan can fully utilize multiple threat Hines Ward as Pittsburgh Steelers coach Bill Cowher does Kordell Stewart, in a "slash" role, we could have yet another late entry in the race.

Just as interesting and entertaining as the Wuerffel-Manning saga will be the quarterback scene in the Big East involving McNabb and Virginia Tech's Jim Druckenmiller. McNabb finished 1995 third in the nation in passing efficiency as a redshirt freshman, while Druckenmiller just wins, baby — 10 in a row now.

Speaking of games matching two high-rated Heisman hopefuls, Davis and Detmer will square off when the Cyclones visit Boulder on Nov. 9.

But the Heisman race is not the only item on the menu as we enter the 1996 season. Here are some others to chew on:

- College football takes its road show to a foreign land when Notre Dame meets Navy in what is being billed as the Shamrock Classic on Nov. 2 in Dublin, Ireland. And speaking of the Irish, don't be surprised to see their first loss to Southern California since 1982 when they travel to the Los Angeles Coliseum on Nov. 30. The 1995 Trojans were riding the crest of a 6-0 record and Top 5 ranking when they were unceremoniously mugged in South Bend. They were never the same team again. The Men of Troy could have something special cooked up for Notre Dame.

- And speaking of taking football overseas, the first postseason bowl game to be played outside the United States, the Haka Bowl, will match the third-place Pac-10 team against an at-large choice in Auckland, New Zealand, on Dec. 27. The event's executive director, former Southern California and San Francisco 49ers great Riki Ellison, a native New Zealander, announced a three-year

television deal had been agreed upon with ESPN. The inaugural meeting will be televised on Thursday, Dec. 26, at 8 PM eastern time. (It will, of course, be Friday in New Zealand.)

- The BYU Cougars could play 15 games this season. There are the usual 11, the Pigskin Classic vs. Texas A&M (12), a game at Hawaii (13), and possibly the WAC Championship Game (14) and a bowl game (15).

- No, you won't be seeing double. Two of 1995's top All-America candidates are both named Pat Fitzgerald. One plays linebacker for Northwestern and the other is Texas' tight end.

- Virginia's narrow victory over Florida State last season may be an omen of things to come. Although Bobby Bowden will field his usual juggernaut, the ACC appears unusually strong. Coach Tommy West is methodically building a powerhouse at Clemson, and Georgia Tech catches the Seminoles in Atlanta the week following the Florida State-Virginia game. Bowden's team must beware of a letdown.

- Who says you can't go home again? A pair of junior quarterbacks have their teams' high hopes resting on their shoulders. Brannndon Stewart is now eligible at Texas A&M, a year after transferring from Tennessee, where he lost the 1994 freshman quarterback war with Peyton Manning. Stewart is from Stephenville, which, like College Station, is in east Texas. Scott Frost of Wood River, Nebraska, is expected to take the baton from Tommie Frazier as the Cornhuskers' new signal-caller after a two-year stint at Stanford, where he played both quarterback and defensive back before transferring and sitting out a year. Stewart and Frost are equally adept at both passing and running.

- A new tradition seems to be taking shape: conference championship games — three in Division I-A this season — on the first Saturday of December, where it joins an old tradition: the Army-Navy game.



Nebraska vs. Colorado

## NEW RULES

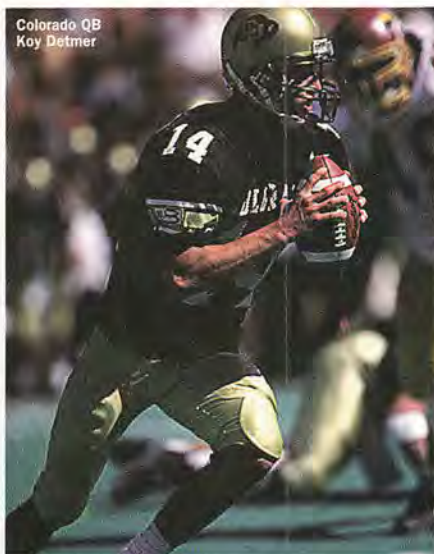
Some of the new legislation by the NCAA Football Rules Committee effective for the 1996 season:

- When a ballcarrier's helmet comes completely off, the play will be blown dead and the ball will belong to the runner's team at that spot.

- Defensive players will be penalized 15 yards for initiating contact with the snapper less than one second after the snap on a scrimmage kick play.

- It is intentional grounding when a passer, to prevent a loss of yardage, intentionally throws a ball where no eligible receiver has a reasonable opportunity to catch it.

•Source: The NCAA News, Feb. 26, 1996.



Colorado QB  
Koy Detmer

## 1995 TOP TEN HEISMAN VOTE-GETTERS

1.	Eddie George	RB
	Ohio State	
2.	Tommie Frazier	QB
	Nebraska	
3.	Danny Wuerffel	QB
	Florida	
4.	Darnell Autry	RB
	Northwestern	
5.	Troy Davis	RB
	Iowa State	
6.	Peyton Manning	QB
	Tennessee	
7.	Keyshawn Johnson	WR
	Southern California	
8.	Tim Biakabutuka	RB
	Michigan	
9.	Warrick Dunn	RB
	Florida State	
10.	Bobby Hoying	QB
	Ohio State	

## 1996 HEISMAN WATCH BEGINS

Peyton Manning	QB	Tennessee
Danny Wuerffel	QB	Florida
Koy Detmer	QB	Colorado
Troy Davis	RB	Iowa State
Darnell Autry	RB	Northwestern
Warrick Dunn	RB	Florida State
George Jones	RB	San Diego State
Jay Graham	RB	Tennessee
Ahman Green	RB	Nebraska
Byron Hanspard	RB	Texas Tech

## IMPRESSIVE STARTS

Among the first-year players who made a name for themselves in 1995:

Ahman Green	RB	Nebraska
Donovan McNabb	QB	Syracuse
Curtis Enis	RB	Penn State
Autry Denson	RB	Notre Dame
Ricky Williams	RB	Texas
R.W. McQuarters	DB/WR	Oklahoma State
Demetrius Harris	RB	Pittsburgh
Zola Davis	WR	Syracuse





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Tennessee vs. Florida

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

These are the games that likely will determine the Top 10 during the season:

Aug. 25	Penn State vs. USC (Kickoff Classic XIV)	Nov. 2	Washington @ USC
Sept. 14	Michigan @ Colorado	Nov. 16	Penn State @ Michigan
Sept. 21	Florida @ Tennessee	Nov. 23	Michigan @ Ohio State
Sept. 28	Ohio State @ Notre Dame	Nov. 23	Auburn @ Alabama (in Birmingham)
Sept. 28	Virginia Tech @ Syracuse	Nov. 29	Colorado @ Nebraska
Sept. 28	Penn State @ Wisconsin	Nov. 29	Texas A&M @ Texas
Oct. 5	Clemson @ Florida State	Nov. 30	Notre Dame @ USC
Oct. 5	Penn State @ Ohio State	Nov. 30	Florida @ Florida State
Oct. 26	Alabama @ Tennessee	Nov. 30	Miami @ Syracuse
Nov. 2	Florida State @ Georgia Tech		

## GONE WITH THE DRAFT

The players in Division I-A who decided to forgo their remaining eligibility for a shot at the pros.

### RUNNING BACKS

Karim Abdul-Jabbar	UCLA
Tim Biakabutuka	Michigan
Jermaine Johnson	Vanderbilt
Leeland McElroy	Texas A&M
Jerald Moore	Oklahoma
Lawrence Phillips	Nebraska
Alfred Shipman	Miami
Moe Williams	Kentucky
Terrell Willis	Rutgers

### RECEIVERS

Terry Glenn	Ohio State
Eddie Kennison	Louisiana State
Freddie Scott	Penn State

### OFFENSIVE LINEMEN

Willie Anderson	Auburn
Jon Runyan	Michigan

### DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

Tony Brackens	Texas
Duane Clemons	California
Keith Drayton	Georgia
Jevon Langford	Oklahoma State
Regan Upshaw	California

### LINEBACKERS

Ray Lewis	Miami
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### DEFENSIVE BACKS

Ricky Bell	N.C. State
Lawyer Milloy	Washington

## "TO AN ATHLETE DYING YOUNG"

The time you won your town the race  
We chaired you through the market-place;  
Man and boy stood cheering by,  
And home we brought you shoulder-high.

To-day, the road all runners come,  
Shoulder-high we bring you home,  
And set you at your threshold down,  
Townsmen of a stiller town.

Smart lad, to slip betimes away  
From fields where glory does not stay  
And early though the laurel grows  
It withers quicker than the rose.

Eyes the shady night has shut  
Cannot see the record cut,  
And silence sounds no worse than cheers  
After earth has stopped the ears:

Now you will not swell the rout  
Of lads that wore their honours out,  
Runners whom renown outran  
And the name died before the man.

So set, before its echoes fade,  
The fleet foot on the sill of shade,  
And hold to the low lintel up  
The still-defended challenge-cup.

And round that early-laurelled head  
Will flock to gaze the strengthless dead  
And find unwithered on its curls  
The garland briefer than a girl's.

— A. E. Housman  
The Collected Poems  
of A. E. Housman,  
(Henry Holt & Co.)

"It's been very hard for everyone, but if anyone on our team had to die, I guess Brook was probably the best prepared to do it in terms of the quality of his life and where he was spiritually. He was a great example for everyone here."

— Nebraska coach Tom Osborne



Brook  
Berringer  
1973-1996

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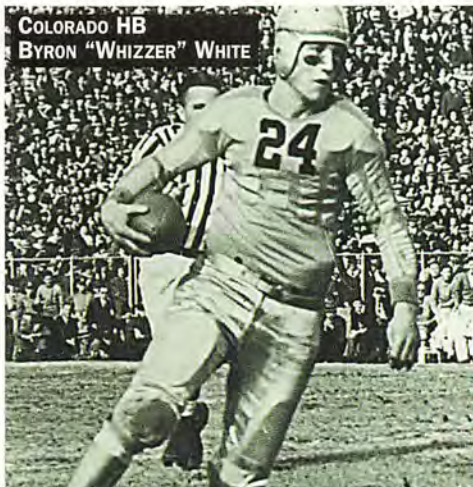
# G R E A T P E R F O R M A N C E S

It's a game whose passions transcend. A week before Arkansas met Texas one year, a sign outside the First Baptist Church in Fayetteville said: "Football is only a game. Spiritual things are eternal. Nevertheless, Beat Texas!"





COLORADO HB  
BYRON "WHIZZER" WHITE



MICHIGAN RB  
TSHIMANGA  
BIAKABUTUKA



It's a game of traditions.

At the old grey horseshoe in Columbus, the Ohio State band will dot the "i" in a script Ohio this autumn, just as it has every autumn since the dawn of time. And down in Clemson, S.C., Tiger players will rub "Howard's Rock" before they dash out to defend their turf. The slab of stone is named for legendary Clemson coach Frank Howard, the taskmaster who turned an out-of-the-way hamlet into a place known to visitors as Death Valley.

It produces leaders.

Four presidents played it: Dwight Eisenhower, Richard Nixon, Gerald Ford and Ronald Reagan, as did a U.S. Supreme Court Justice, Byron "Whizzer" White. And before Jackie Robinson broke the color barrier in major league baseball, he was an all-purpose star for the UCLA Bruins.

College football has its blemishes, to be sure. It is a game that sometimes has trouble distinguishing right from wrong. The term "student-athlete" is a cynical joke on many campuses. Cheating, which began in the last century when players used phony names and changed teams in midseason, plagues the game to this day. And a growing number wonder why the players aren't getting paid in a game that produces millions for its schools and coaches.

But at a time when so much in the sporting landscape seems deplorable, when pro franchises abandon their fans overnight and players walk out in the middle of the season, college football offers something to celebrate.

## GREAT PASSING PERFORMANCES

1. Matt Vogler of Texas Christian vs. Houston in 1990.

Vogler threw for 690 yards against the Cougars, the most ever by a non-Western Athletic Conference quarterback. Consider that TCU gained barely twice that (1,485 yards) in an entire season when it led the nation in passing in 1939. Vogler also set a major college record for attempts with 79.

2. Wisconsin's Ron Vander Kelen vs. Southern California in the 1963 Rose Bowl.

Vander Kelen's Badgers came up on the short end of a 42-37 score against the Trojans but not before he had scared USC by leading a frenetic fourth-quarter comeback.

Wisconsin trailed 42-14 with 12 minutes to play in the final quarter, but that's when Vander Kelen started pitching. He threw for a pair of touchdowns in the rally on his way to 401 passing yards, then a school and Rose Bowl record. Vander Kelen missed on only 15-of-48 passes.

3. Illinois' Dave Wilson vs. Ohio State in 1980.

The quarterback burned the Buckeyes for 621 yards. That was the good news for the Fighting Illini. The bad news was the final score: Ohio State 49, Illinois 42.

4. Brigham Young's Virgil Carter vs. UTEP in 1966.

Carter passed for 513 yards. It was a nice example to set for all the Jim McMahons, Ty Detmers and Steve Youngs who would follow him at Provo.

5. Northwestern's Sandy Schwab vs. Michigan in 1982.

Schwab completed 45 passes against the Wol-

verines, the third-highest total in Division I-A history. The first two belong to the Klingers of Houston: David, with 48, and Jimmy, with 46. But because theirs came against badly outmatched teams and Schwab's came for a badly outmatched team — Michigan 49, Northwestern 14 — he wins the mention here.

## GREAT RUSHING PERFORMANCES

1. Tshimanga Biakabutuka's 313 yards against Ohio State in 1995.

Biakabutuka, a junior from Zaire via Montreal, ripped through left tackle for 22 yards on the first play from scrimmage. He knew he was in for a big afternoon. By the time the game was over, Biakabutuka had romped for 313 yards, and Michigan had sent the second-ranked Buckeyes to their first defeat. The upset deprived Ohio State of a Rose Bowl trip.

Biakabutuka became only the second Wolverine to rush for more than 300 yards in a game. His big afternoon also helped him set a school record of 1,724 regular-season rushing yards.

Later, Biakabutuka decided to forgo his senior year and declare himself eligible for the NFL draft. When Biakabutuka became the eighth player picked overall (by Carolina), he was asked if his performance against Ohio State had raised his profile with pro scouts.

"I would say it didn't hurt me," he said.

2. Red Grange's ghostly gallops against Michigan in 1924.

Michigan hadn't lost in three years when it visited old rival Illinois, which was dedicating brand-new Memorial Stadium.

Grange took the opening kickoff 95 yards for a touchdown. In the next series he ran 67 yards for a score, and by the time the first quarter was over, he had added touchdown runs of 56 and 44 yards. Grange had scored 24 points in the first 12 minutes against a Michigan team that had conceded a total of just 25 points in the two previous years.

Grange later scored a fifth touchdown and threw for a sixth. He gained 402 yards in the 21 times he touched the football.

The venerable coach, Amos



TCU QB  
MATT VOGLER

LAYNE MURDOCH



Alonzo Stagg, called it "the most spectacular single-handed performance ever delivered in a major game."

3. Tyrone Wheatley runs wild against Washington in the 1993 Rose Bowl.

Wheatley rushed for 235 yards and three touchdowns on only 15 carries — and he didn't touch the ball after suffering back spasms in the third quarter.

"The type of defense they play, they play them close to the line," said Wheatley, who came within 12 yards of the Rose Bowl record owned by USC's Charles White. "Once you're through, you're through. You go for the first down and then you go for the home run."

4. Gale Sayers' 99-yard touchdown run against Nebraska in 1963.

At last count, 15 players had been credited with 99-yard touchdown runs since the start of official NCAA statistics in 1937. But only Sayers, the Kansas Comet, can say he did it first.

5. Tommie Frazier's running against Florida in the 1996 Fiesta Bowl.

Frazier led Nebraska to its second straight national title by running for 199 yards in a 62-24 rout of Florida. And he did it on only 16 carries.

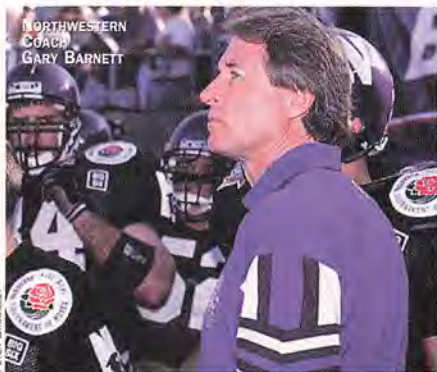
The highlight was his 75-yard run at the end of the third quarter. Frazier appeared to be tackled at least twice on the option keeper, but he just stayed on his feet as Gator after Gator bounced off him.

As Frazier chugged all alone down the sideline, he couldn't resist the temptation to look back, as if he were wondering whether a whistle had blown the play dead. When he realized that it hadn't, Frazier's ear-to-ear grin was visible despite his facemask and mouthpiece.

## GREAT COACHING PERFORMANCES

1. Gary Barnett, Northwestern, 1995.

In the winter of 1992, shortly after he signed on as Northwestern's head football coach, Barnett was introduced to the fans at halftime of a men's basketball game.



Barnett strode to a microphone and said, "We're taking the purple to Pasadena." The remark brought a roar from the crowd, but nobody thought he actually meant it. Four years later, Barnett had lived up to his word. In a dream season, the longtime laughingstock of college football rolled to the Big Ten title and its first Rose Bowl berth since 1949.

The Wildcats went 8-0 in the Big Ten and



*A streak of fire,  
a breath of flame,  
Eluding all  
who reach and clutch.  
A gray ghost sent  
into the game,  
That rival hands  
may rarely touch.*

— Grantland Rice

10-1 overall in the 1995 regular season, the lone blemish coming in an early season upset by Miami of Ohio. Northwestern's 41-32 loss to Southern California dropped the Wildcats to eighth in The Associated Press poll but didn't diminish Barnett's amazing accomplishment.

After the season, Barnett looked long and hard at openings at Georgia and UCLA, both traditional football powers with far greater resources than small, private Northwestern. But he decided to stick around, and many took that as a signal that Northwestern's football fortunes had changed for good.

2. Lou Holtz, Arkansas, 1978.

When Holtz suspended his two leading runners and top receiver for disciplinary reasons, it appeared that the Razorbacks would become a footnote to the question, "Who did Oklahoma defeat in the Orange Bowl to become the 1977 national champion?"

But by the time it was over, Arkansas had ripped apart the Sooners 31-6, with backup tailback Roland Sales romping for an Orange Bowl-record 205 yards, most of them between tackles.

The Hogs wound up 11-1 and third in the AP

vote. Notre Dame was national champ.

Eleven years later, Holtz made a similar decision when he sent Notre Dame stars Ricky Watters and Tony Brooks home from a huge game at USC. The players had showed up late for a team dinner after Holtz warned them about tardiness earlier in the season. The top-rated Irish romped over No. 2 Southern California that afternoon 27-10.

3. Knute Rockne, Notre Dame, 1926.

Seventy years ago, Notre Dame and Southern California launched the famous series. Legend had it that the Notre Dame coach's wife insisted on it because she liked the wife of USC coach Howard Jones. The irony is that in the mid-1920s, Rockne had feigned interest in taking the head-coaching job at USC as a way of gaining leverage back in South Bend, where he was battling the administration to build him a new stadium.

It gave birth to college football's most enduring intersectional rivalry. (Little did Rockne know that by the mid-1990s the game would represent the closest thing to a guaranteed win on the Irish schedule).

4. Tom Osborne, Nebraska, 1984.

Late in the game, after a Nebraska touchdown, the Cornhuskers trailed Miami in the battle for the national championship in the 1984 Orange Bowl. Osborne decided to go for two instead of play for a tie.

Few remember that the undefeated, untied, top-rated Cornhuskers, heavily favored to whip the Hurricanes, had to rally from 17-0 and 31-17 deficits. When Osborne rolled the dice, he lost a championship but gained a lifetime of acclaim for playing to win.

5. Charlie McBride, Nebraska defensive coordinator, 1996.

In the 1995 season, Florida set Southeastern Conference records for points (44.5 per game), total offense (534 yards per game), touchdowns (74) and passing touchdowns (43). Foes held the Gators to fewer than 30 points only twice all year.

McBride knew he had his work cut out for him in the Fiesta Bowl. After watching films of the Gators' Fun 'n' Gun attack, McBride said, "It makes you sick. On defense, it's ugly when you have to defend (Florida). But it's a challenge and that's what you play for."

Top-ranked Nebraska met the challenge nicely in its triumph over No. 2 Florida in the Fiesta. McBride blitzed and stunted the Gators right out of their offense; the Huskers allowed Florida only 269 total yards, or half its average. The final score was deceptive. Florida had only 10 points until the final minute of the third quarter.

Said Florida coach Steve Spurrier, "Seemed like Nebraska was definitely much better prepared to play."

## GREAT SCORING PERFORMANCES

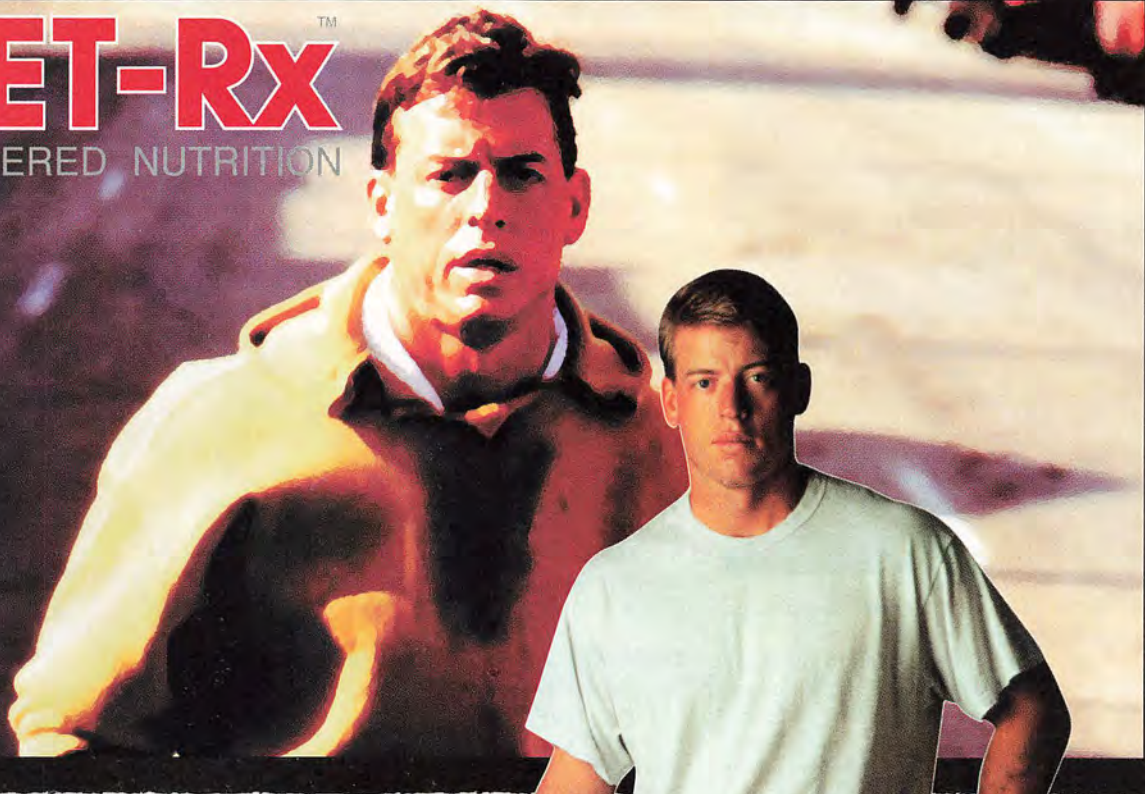
1. Kordell Stewart's 64-yard fling to Michael Westbrook brought Colorado a stunning 27-26 victory over Michigan in 1994.

As the game ended in Ann Arbor, Stewart fired the ball to the Michigan goal line, where it was tipped and snared by Westbrook over three Wolverine defenders. One hundred and five thousand people never sounded so silent.



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2. In 1984, Doug Flutie's Hail Mary pass for Boston College upset Miami.

In the box score it was merely listed as "Gerald Phelan 48 pass from Doug Flutie." But the miraculous completion in the Hurricanes' end zone capped Boston College's 47-45 win and wrapped up the 1984 Heisman Trophy for the diminutive Flutie.

3. Desmond Howard's leaping grab of a touchdown pass helped Michigan defeat Notre Dame in 1991.

At 5-9, Howard was one of the smallest men on the field that day in Ann Arbor. But his sensational catch in the end zone helped knock off the Fighting Irish 24-14 and served as the start of Howard's run to the Heisman Trophy.

What many forget about the catch is that it came on a fourth-down call. The Irish, clearly flabbergasted by Michigan coach Gary Moeller's uncharacteristic gamble, never recovered.

4. California's romp through the Stanford band ended the 1982 game at Berkeley.

In one of the strangest plays in college football history, the Golden Bears used five laterals on a kickoff to score a 55-yard touchdown with no time left.

The stage was set when Stanford booted a field goal with four seconds left to take a 20-19 lead. "The Play," as it came to be known, began when California's Kevin Moen scooped up a squib kick at his own 45, then lateraled to Richard Rodgers, who lateraled to Dwight Garner, who lateraled to Rodgers, who lateraled to Mariet Ford, who lateraled back to Moen, who bowled over a trombone player and romped into the end zone.

California won 25-20, and a good number of the 75,662 who witnessed it at Berkeley's Memorial Stadium still aren't sure what they saw.

But Stanford still had a "comeback" left. Stanford people, starting with coach Paul Wiggan, were convinced that Garner was down on California's 48, one or both knees touching the turf. A week after the game, Stanford students produced a replica of *The Daily Californian*, Cal's campus newspaper, which bore the headlines "NCAA Awards Big Game to Stanford" and "Bears Shocked, Appalled."

Stanford students followed *The Daily Californian's* distribution truck on its rounds, snatching up copies of the real paper and replacing them with the hoax edition. Word swept the Berkeley campus and it took hours for the hoax to be revealed.

5. O.J. Simpson's 64-yard touchdown run gave USC a 21-20 victory over UCLA in 1967.

The Juice wrapped up the Heisman Trophy. The victory also put Southern California in the Rose Bowl, where it would claim the national title with a 14-3 win over Indiana.

"Of the remarkable 1,415 yards Simpson gained this season, those 64 were the most impressive of all," one scribe wrote in his postgame dispatch, "for they came after two hours of the toughest punishment he had endured — and they stretched all the way from Pasadena to Number Onesville."

## GREAT COMEBACKS

1. Notre Dame 35, Houston 34 in the Cotton Bowl at Dallas in 1979.

The Fighting Irish may or may not have invented the epic comeback. But this game proved that they perfected it.

Trailing the Cougars 34-12 with 7:37 to go, Notre Dame reeled off 23 straight points to win on an icy afternoon.

The final tally, an 8-yard toss from Joe Montana to Kris Haines on the last play of the game, represented a comeback-within-a-comeback for Montana, who had thrown four interceptions and nearly missed the second half with hypothermia. He had appeared to be the goat when he fumbled away the ball on the Cougar 20 with 2:05 left and the Irish trailing 34-28.

But Notre Dame got the ball back with 28 seconds left at the Houston 29 after Cougar coach Bill Yeoman eschewed a punt and went for what would have been the game-clinching first down on fourth-and-1.

Four plays later, Montana found Haines in the Houston end zone. Joe Unis, a native of Dallas, kicked the extra point twice (illegal procedure nullified the first PAT), and the Irish had won another for the echoes.

2. Southern California 55, Notre Dame 24 at Los Angeles in 1974.

The Fighting Irish led 24-0 late in the second quarter when they were hit by the college football equivalent of an earthquake. The epicenter wore No. 28 in cardinal and was named Anthony Davis. In three seasons (1972-74) against Notre Dame, Davis scored 11 touchdowns (three on kickoffs of which two were

in 1972) and 68 points. The fleet Trojan back returned the second-half kickoff 102 yards in the '74 game — he scored four touchdowns that day — and in the first 17 minutes of the second half, USC amassed 49 points.

That team has to be the favorite of procrastinators everywhere. A month after shocking the Irish, the Trojans trailed Ohio State 17-10 in the Rose Bowl with two minutes left. Rhodes scholar Pat Haden hit Johnny McKay, son of USC coach John McKay, with a 38-yard scoring toss. Then, with the



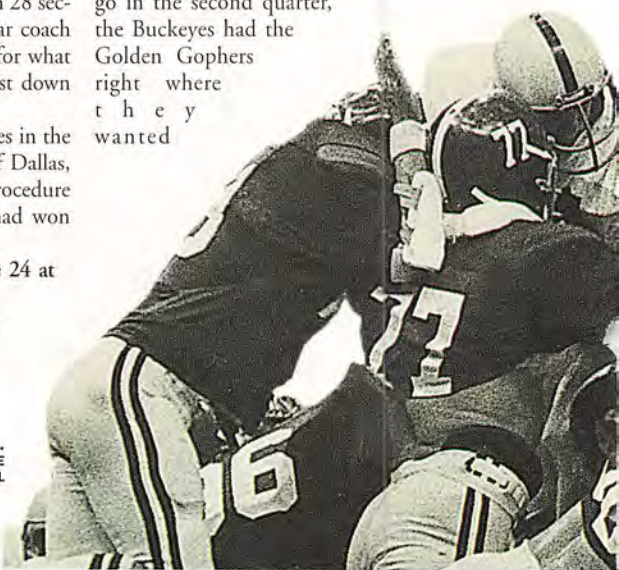
USC RB  
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national championship on the line, Haden found Shelton Diggs on a low throw in the end zone for the two-point conversion that beat the Buckeyes 18-17.

3. Ohio State 41, Minnesota 37 at Minneapolis in 1989.

Trailing 31-0 with 4:29 to go in the second quarter, the Buckeyes had the Golden Gophers right where they wanted



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them. They tied the record for the greatest comeback to win a game in Division I-A history.

#### 4. Florida State 31, Florida 31 at Tallahassee in 1994.

The Seminoles overcame a 31-3 fourth-quarter deficit to knot up their hated rivals. The four-touchdown comeback, led by quarterback Danny Kanell, set a Division I-A record for most points in the final quarter to win or tie a game.

#### 5. Harvard 29, Yale 29 at Cambridge in 1968.

Both teams came into The Game undefeated, and the Elis appeared headed for a rout when they ran out to a 22-0 second-quarter lead behind quarterback Brian Dowling and running back Calvin Hill. Harvard was so desperate it called on second-string quarterback Frank Champi, a balding, 20-year-old history major.

Harvard pulled to within 22-13 in the fourth quarter, but then Yale scored a touchdown. Yale coach Carmen Cozza elected to kick the extra point that put Harvard two scores down. Had he gone for two, the Crimson would have needed three scores.

"I figured, what difference does it make?" Cozza said later. "There was no way they could come back. No way they could win."

It only mattered when Harvard scored 16 points in the final minute to catch Yale and cause the Harvard Crimson to run its famous "Harvard Beats Yale, 29-29" banner headline.

### UNSUNG BOWL HEROES

#### 1. Benny Lom, California, 1929 Rose Bowl.

Never heard of him? He's the California player who chased down Roy Riegels on his famous 64-yard "Wrong Way" run in the 1929 Rose Bowl. Lom managed to grab Riegels by the right arm and swing him around on his own 1-yard-line, where he was smothered by Georgia Tech tacklers.

Lom's heroics appeared to avert a safety, but on the very next play, Tech blocked Cal's punt out of the end zone. It was the difference in an 8-7 game.

#### 2. Bobby Layne, Texas, 1946 Cotton Bowl.

He went on to enjoy great fame as a swash-buckling NFL quarterback, but Layne had trouble topping his performance for Texas against Missouri in the 1946 Cotton Bowl. Layne ran for three touchdowns, threw for two, caught one touchdown pass and kicked four extra points. Thus, he had a hand in every Longhorn point in a 40-27 victory. A half-century later, his feat remains a college bowl record.

#### 3. The Alabama defense, 1979 and 1993 Sugar Bowls.

Both games wrapped up national titles for the Crimson Tide. In '79, Alabama beat Penn State 14-7 when the defense kept the Nittany Lions



TEXAS QB  
BOBBY LAYNE

out of the end zone on two consecutive cracks from inside the 1-yard line. On fourth down, Tide linebacker Barry Krauss met Penn State's Mike Guman head-on at the line and stopped him cold.

Said Alabama coach Bear Bryant, "That goal-line stand was something I'll never forget."

In 1993, the Tide was considered an underdog to No. 1 Miami, led by Heisman Trophy winner Gino Torretta. But the defense smothered the Hurricane attack, allowing only 48 rushing yards in a 34-13 victory.

That game featured what would have gone down as one of the greatest defensive plays in history, had it not been for an offside penalty against the Tide. Early in the second half, Torretta found Lamar Thomas streaking down the sideline. Thomas appeared headed for a touchdown when Alabama's George Teague caught him from behind, stripped the ball from him in mid-stride and brought it back the other way.

#### 4. The officials, 1991 Cotton Bowl.

This was the game that led to recent rule changes emphasizing decorum and sportsmanship. As third-ranked Miami annihilated host Texas 46-3, many of the Hurricanes danced on the sideline and taunted the Longhorns on the field.

#### 5. The Penn State defense, 1987 Fiesta Bowl.

The Nittany Lions stole five passes thrown by Miami quarterback Vinny Testaverde, the Heisman Trophy

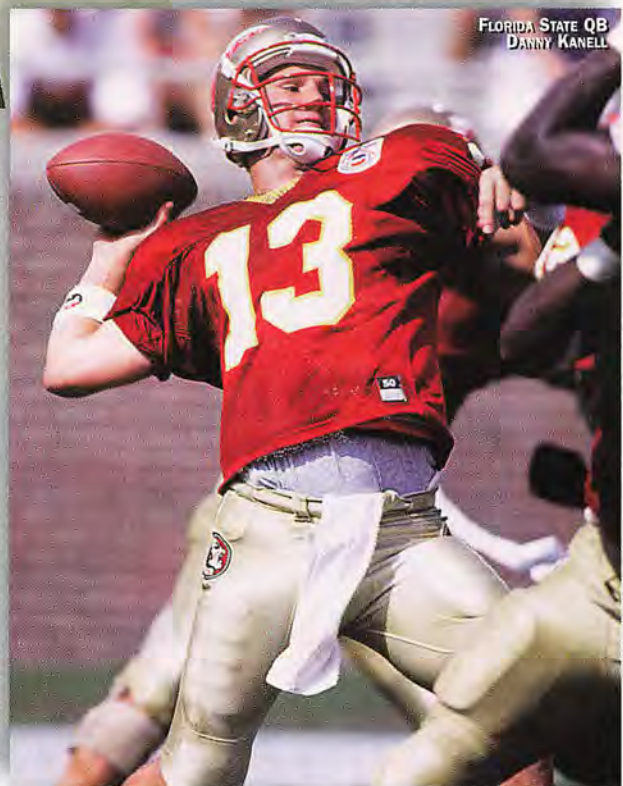
winner. The last interception, by linebacker Pete Giftpolous, sealed Penn State's 14-10 victory and gave the Nittany Lions their second national title under coach Joe Paterno.

"We set as our main target not Testaverde but his receivers," Paterno wrote in his autobiography. "Instead of concentrating on sacking and shutting down the quarterback, we said we'd let him throw — but change our coverages so frequently we'd confound his receivers."

### GREAT PERFORMANCES THAT CHANGED THE GAME

1. In 1921, Nebraska pounded Oklahoma 44-0 on a muddy field in Lincoln. Newspaper accounts credited Cornhusker coach Fred Dawson with outfitting his players with cleated shoes.

According to one account: "The Huskers had specially designed conical mud spikes, three inches in length, on their shoes, which prevented



FLORIDA STATE QB  
DANNY KANELL

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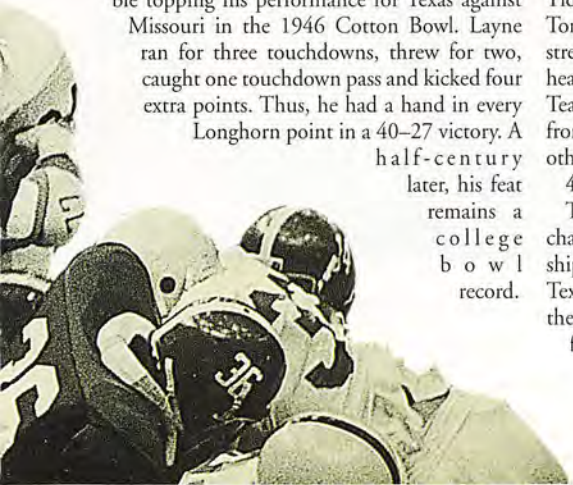
them from sinking in and gave them a fairly firm hold in the mud. Rubber soles kept the mud from sticking to the shoes."

It didn't take long for cleats, often referred to as "mudders" in those days, to become a standard part of the uniform on sloppy fields.

2. Michigan State's Duffy Daugherty is credited with signing the first soccer-style placekicker, Louis Bobich, in 1962.

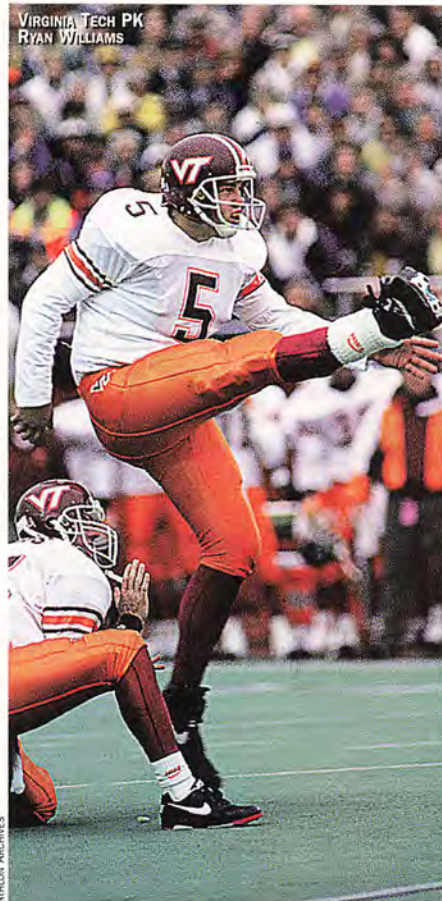
The move changed the course of kicking. Straight-on kickers — otherwise known as "conventional" — began dwindling by the mid-1970s and are now as outmoded as the single wing. According to NCAA records, there have not been more than two straight-on placekickers in Division I-A since 1988 — when there were five.

Soccer-style kickers supposedly enjoy greater





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accuracy, but it's questionable whether they're better from a great distance. Since the NCAA began tracking in 1975, soccer-style kickers are 22-for-128 from 60 or more yards (17.2 percent), while conventional kickers are 7-of-42, a 16.6 percent success rate.

Of course, it should be noted that the last time a straight-on kicker converted a 60-yarder was back in 1977.

3. New Mexico coach Roy Johnson holds the distinction of being the first to fly his team to a game.

New Mexico traveled on Transcontinental Air Transport (which later became TWA) to meet Occidental College in the Rose Bowl in 1929. Actually, half the team traveled by air. The plane had only 18 available seats, and so Johnson sent his starters ahead by train and took the reserves on the plane. He reversed the arrangement for the trip home.

"That way, everyone got a plane ride," Johnson said. New Mexico lost 26-0, making some wonder whether the trip was worth all the bother.

4. The Big Ten rejected Notre Dame's application to join in 1926.

Documents from that era show that Michigan coach Fielding Yost was the leader of the anti-Irish bloc in the Big Ten, which voted 6-4 not to enlarge the league. Notre Dame's Knute Rockne was desperate to join; he felt affiliation with the conference could help add to the prestige of his burgeoning powerhouse.

Imagine how the course of college football his-

tory would have changed had the Big Ten accepted the Fighting Irish. For starters, the Irish would have to share all that NBC cash with the likes of Purdue and Indiana. And "The Game of the Century" between Michigan State and Notre Dame in 1966 would have been just another conference tussle.

5. The NCAA hit Southern Methodist with the "death penalty" in 1987 for repeated major violations in its football program.

Some have wondered whether the NCAA would have taken the same action against an established power such as Alabama, which a decade later got off with what amounted to a stern rebuke after the NCAA found violations in its program. The death penalty didn't eradicate cheating and might never be used again. But it did show that the NCAA was willing to exercise the ultimate power.

## GREAT OFF-THE-FIELD PERFORMANCES

1. Darnell Autry, Northwestern running back, 1994-present.

Autry actually got the NCAA to acknowledge it was wrong. A Heisman Trophy finalist as a sophomore, Autry is a theater major who wants to pursue a career in acting when his football days are over. He was elated, naturally, when he landed a small speaking part in a supernatural thriller to be filmed in Italy this summer. The role was unpaid and didn't involve football, but the NCAA forbade Autry from accepting it. Autry

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sued and won an injunction against the NCAA.

"Darnell is a serious theater student," Northwestern theater Prof. Les Hinderyckx said. In court papers, Hinderyckx added that the film role would "contribute strongly toward (Autry's) major program in theater. This is the kind of opportunity that I would encourage Darnell or any other theater student to take advantage of as a significant start for his career."

When the NCAA lost in court, its lawyers gave Autry a thinly veiled threat: He still stood to lose eligibility if he accepted the part and the NCAA won on appeal. But within days, an NCAA review panel reversed its field and granted Autry an exemption to the rule.

The NCAA's change of mind almost made it seem as if it is interested in allowing its athletes to be students, too.

## 2. The Tennessee gospel quintet known as "The Unity Group."

When these Vols hit a high note, it wasn't only on the gridiron. The group finally disbanded as members graduated, but it was a popular draw in Knoxville churches and at charitable events. The players were Steven Kelley, Ron Green, Antron Peebles, Al Wilson and Jermaine Copeland. All except Kelley have eligibility remaining in 1996.

## 3. Daryl Price, Colorado linebacker, 1993.

Many football players have trouble juggling their two very different lives, one as athlete and the other as scholar. But former Colorado linebacker Price had a third life — as an ordained minister leading the congregation at Second Bap-

tist Church in Boulder. Price's calling helped him overcome despair when a high school knee injury nearly ended his career.

"I didn't choose to become a minister," Price said. "I was led by God to do so. I never even considered that I would never play again. Some doctors and coaches said I wouldn't, but it never crossed my mind. No matter what you're going through, depend on God to get you through."

## GREAT PERFORMANCES TO OVERCOME OBSTACLES

### 1. Ryan Williams, Virginia Tech placekicker, 1991-94.

Williams never looked at having half a foot as a handicap.

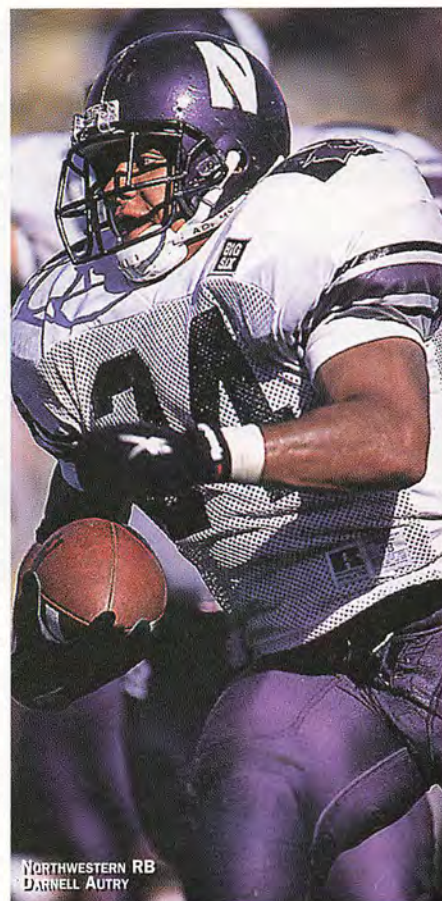
It certainly didn't stop him from making a mark as a straight-on placekicker for Virginia Tech.

Williams drew inevitable comparisons with former New Orleans Saints kicker Tom Dempsey, who kicked an NFL-record 63-yard field goal in 1970, before Williams was born. Unlike Dempsey, who was born with a stub for a right foot, Williams lost half his right foot in a riding lawnmower accident when he was 5 years old.

That could have ended Williams' athletic ambitions, but it didn't.

"I've played all kinds of sports: basketball, lacrosse," Williams said. "Everybody I've been around has been real supportive. I don't ever remember having two complete feet."

Williams always wanted to be a football kicker, and he got the boost he needed after attending a



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As California center Riegels began his 64-yard wrong-way run in the 1929 Rose Bowl game, Cal halfback Lom reacted and finally caught him at the Golden Bears' 1. Lom grabbed Riegels by the arm, turning him around, a poignant scene.



camp run by Mark Moseley, former Washington Redskins star. Moseley, a straight-on kicker in his day, advised Williams on technique. And he helped fit Williams with a special shoe — it required approval from the Big East and the NCAA — and Williams was on his way.

"He has his limitations," Moseley said then. "But he doesn't take no for an answer. He's always had the attitude that there was nothing he couldn't do."

In four years at Tech, Williams made 39-of-57 field goals and 137-of-147 extra points for a career total of 254 points. His longest kick was his first, a 50-yarder into the wind against Oklahoma at Norman in 1991.

2. Charles Johnson, Colorado wide receiver, 1991-93.

When Johnson was 16, his mother once borrowed \$20 from him. She promised to pay him back quickly but immediately spent the money on drugs.

It was the story of Johnson's life. He was always being let down by his elders. During one four-year period, he and his sister, Christine, lived in 15 places, including welfare hotels and the homes of relatives.

Somehow, Johnson overcame it all to become one of the best receivers in Colorado history. In 1992 he set a school record with 1,149 receiving yards. The next year Johnson was named the team captain and MVP after rolling up 1,082 receiving yards. He went on to become a first-round draft pick by the Pittsburgh Steelers in 1994.

One of the astonishing parts of Johnson's story is that he developed into a terrific athlete despite living on a subsistence diet for long stretches in high school. Johnson once told a reporter that he had "learned to go without eating."

"It's mental," Johnson said. "Everything in life is mental. You always can convince yourself to do things and not to do things. So all I did was convince myself I wasn't hungry."

But he was, in the football sense of the word. He wanted to succeed and did despite

towering odds against him.

"Aw, it wasn't so bad," Johnson said. "I could be dead. Growing up the way I did taught me a lot about responsibility. I became street smart. I learned how to survive. There's people out there with worse childhoods than mine."

3. Cecil Martin, Wisconsin fullback, 1995-present.

At one point in the summer before his senior year of high school, Martin and his mother moved temporarily into a homeless shelter in Evanston, Ill. Misfortune had robbed them of their apartment, but Martin didn't give in to despair.

After football practice at Evanston Township High School, he would drag himself to menial jobs. He always turned what little money he earned over to his mother, Diana, who held two jobs of her own.

His mother didn't forget. And when Cecil

asked if he could go away to the University of Wisconsin on a football scholarship, his mom immediately granted her approval.

It was a perfect fit from the first day of camp, when Martin bounded around with energy that surprised many of the coaches and veteran players.

"Other kids were complaining about the hard work, but Cecil was thrilled," one Wisconsin staffer recalled. "He was getting three meals a day, he had his own bed and someone was washing his uniform. He was the happiest kid in camp. It was infectious."

Martin later earned the starting fullback job for the Badgers. And his 3.0 grade-point average as a sophomore pointed toward a promising future. Martin is considering a career as a teacher. He's already provided a lesson in never giving up.

"I look back on my past, and maybe I didn't have it as well as some have it," Martin said. "I had my hurdles and my family had tribulations to get over. But I didn't have it nearly as bad as some kids."

4. Jared Tomich, Nebraska linebacker, 1994-present.

As his senior year of high school approached, Tomich assumed his destiny was the same as most of his extended Croatian family. Tomich had watched his father, James, and other relatives troop off to the smoke-belching steel mills along the Lake Michigan shore in Gary.

Tomich was an all-stater at Lake Central (St. John, Ind.) High School who longed for a chance to play college football. But he had a learning disability, later diagnosed as attention-deficit disorder, and most major college recruiters backed off in his senior year when they saw that his SAT score fell far below NCAA minimums.

"I figured at that point in my life, I was headed for the mills," Tomich said. Then he met Nebraska assistant coach Charlie McBride, who was tipped off by a Cornhusker alumnus at a rival high school. McBride was unimpressed by game videos but changed his mind after speaking to



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Tomich's teammates, coaches and teachers.

"People in that school sold me on Jared Tomich more than his films sold me," McBride said.

Three years later, Tomich is an All-American and a stalwart of one of the most rugged defenses in the land.

"A great kid, great work ethic, and he just had great athletic ability," McBride said. "A lot of players have that instinct. They said he can't do it. What do you mean, he can't do it?"

5. Chris Doering, Florida wide receiver, 1992-95.

Doering was a star receiver at the Gainesville, Fla., high school affiliated with the University of Florida.

He lived for all things orange and blue. So it naturally came as a shock when Gator recruiters barely bothered to look at his prep highlight tape. Disappointed, Doering and his dad, a Florida pharmacy professor, faxed letters to 40 schools, letting them know that this terrific wideout was unclaimed.

One school responded: Florida State, the Gators' archrival. And it would only agree to let Doering pay his own way.

"I know people must have looked at me and wondered, 'If he's in Florida's backyard and they're not recruiting him, why should we? There must be a reason,'" Doering said.

The only reason was that Doering didn't appear fast enough to stay with the speed merchants in Division I-A. After turning down Florida State, Doering talked the Gators into giving him a walk-on shot.

Four years later, he left as one of the best receivers in Florida's pass-happy history. Doering set Southeastern Conference records for touchdown catches in a career (31) and a season (17 in 1995). He also wound up fourth among Florida receivers in career catches (149) and receiving yards (2,107).

Doering was selected in the sixth round of the 1996 NFL draft by the Jacksonville Jaguars. Not bad for a kid who once paid his own way to play.

"I took a lot of detours," Doering said. "When people bring you down, the only thing you can do is believe in yourself."

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# Tennessee

**Athlon is picking Tennessee** to deny Nebraska's run at three straight national titles. Quarterback Peyton Manning, a junior and certain to be a strong candidate for the Heisman Trophy, is one of 13 starters back from last year's 11-1 team, which lost only to Florida 62-37 and finished second to Nebraska in the *USA TODAY/CNN* coaches' poll.

Manning set numerous school records last year and two Southeastern Conference marks, one for career completion percentage (63.5, 1994-95) and the other for lowest percentage of interceptions in a single season (1.05, four in 380 passes), which ties the NCAA record.

Manning has plenty of weapons on offense. Tailback Jay Graham set a school single-season record of 1,438 yards; wide receiver Joey Kent caught a school-record 69 passes and placekicker Jeff Hall converted 16-of-25 field goals. If there is a concern, it is the offensive line, where coach Phillip Fulmer must replace four members of last year's outstanding quintet. The defense, led by end Leonard Little (11 sacks, 14 other tackles for loss) held four regular-season opponents to a touchdown or less and shut down Ohio State 20-14 in the Florida Citrus Bowl. Other key defenders are linebacker Tyrone Hines and strong safety Raymond Austin.

Finally, the key games — UCLA, Florida, Alabama — are at home.

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# 2 Nebraska



Nebraska would like to add to its record strings of 34 consecutive winning seasons, 27 consecutive seasons with at least nine wins and 27 straight bowl bids, not to mention its nation's-longest 25-game winning streak.

But what's really on the Cornhuskers' minds is a third consecutive national championship, something no one has ever done. Eight times a team has won back-to-back

national championships since this poll business began in 1936. The first seven all failed to make it three in a row.

Nebraska became the first Division I-A team to win 36 games in three years and returns 12 starters, none of whom is named Tommie Frazier. His probable successor at quarterback is Stanford transfer Scott Frost.

The Cornhuskers have almost as many all-star candidates as rushing yards: I-back Ahman Green, offensive linemen Aaron Taylor, Chris Dishman and Eric Anderson, tight end Sheldon Jackson, defensive ends Jared Tomich and Grant Wistrom, defensive tackle Jason Peter, linebacker Terrell Farley and defensive backs Mike Minter and Michael Booker.

"We'll have a good nucleus," says coach Tom Osborne. "We actually have more starters back this year because we lost 14 a year ago. Whereas we had eight starters returning last year, we'll probably have 12 or so this coming season. We are much better off now (on the offensive line). We had three tackles that rotated, and we'll probably move one of those to guard. One of our guards will move to center."

# 3 Notre Dame



## Notre Dame returns seven starters

on each side of the ball after improving from 6-5-1 in 1994 to 9-3 last year. The Irish will score plenty with Ron Powlus at quarterback, tailbacks Autry Denson and Randy Kinder, fullback Marc Edwards and a typically solid offensive line. The key is replacing record-setting wide receiver Derrick Mayes. Notre Dame unveiled a spread passing attack against Florida State in the Orange Bowl.

Believe the Air Holtz hype when you see it. The Irish have averaged at least 215.6 yards rushing in each of the last nine years and finished sixth nationally last season at 233.5. The key to Notre Dame's offensive expectations is the development of the wide receiver corps. Emmett Mosley, a part-time starter, is the top returning wideout with 17 catches; the rest of the six-man spring wide receiver group combined for one.

On defense, the Irish allowed only 12.7 points a game over the last four weeks of the regular season. They return six of the front seven and feature a strong group of linebackers in Lyrion Cobbins, Kinnon Tatum, Bert Berry and Kory Minor. Junior cornerback Allen Rossum is the only regular holdover in what will be a youthful secondary.

"We got the chemistry right last year," coach Lou Holtz says. "I think we're on solid footing now."

# 4 Florida State



Florida State is always on solid ground and is so loaded that the Seminoles have been trying to talk outside linebacker Sam Cowart, who led the team in tackles, into taking a redshirt year and giving his knee, injured in the Orange Bowl, plenty of time to recover. The only

question mark — a minor one at that — seems to be at quarterback, where either backup Thad Busby or redshirt freshman Dan Kendra, who originally committed to Penn State, will replace record-setting Danny Kanell.

"The most exciting thing about this year is that we will be breaking in a new quarterback," says coach Bobby Bowden, who returns 15 starters with Cowart. "We return most of our runners and receivers and I am very optimistic about the potential of the offensive line. The key on defense is that the entire secondary returns. I'm as excited about the potential of this team as any that I've had."

With tailback Warrick Dunn, wide receivers Andre Cooper and E.G. Green, middle linebacker Daryl Bush and defensive end Reinard Wilson leading the way, the Seminoles will try to extend their record streaks of at least 10 wins for nine straight seasons, a top four finish nine years in a row and 11 consecutive bowl wins. The schedule takes them outside the state of Florida only twice.

# 5 Colorado



## Colorado returns 17 starters,

including all its skill position people. They include quarterbacks Koy Detmer, who suffered a knee injury in the fourth game a year ago, and John Hessler, who replaced him so admirably and set a dozen school passing records. The receiving corps boasts all-star candidates everywhere. Guard Chris Naeole and linebacker Matt Russell should bid for All-America honors.

"Everybody who touched the ball for us on offense last year returns, and we finished very strong defensively," says Rick Neuheisel, whose first season as a head coach produced a 10-2 record. "I think we exceeded most people's expectations in 1995. We lost 10 starters to the NFL and managed to overcome that for the most part. All of our running backs, wide receivers and tight ends should be a year better, which will improve our offense even more."

The Buffaloes were sixth nationally in total offense a year ago, averaging 486.6 yards a game. Last October, Colorado, playing in Boulder, was primed to dethrone Nebraska but suffered a shocking 44-21 shellacking. This year, the Buffs may get the chance to reverse the home-field advantage themselves when they encounter the Cornhuskers in Lincoln on Nov. 29.



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# Florida



**Florida has been in each** of the four SEC championship games, winning the last three. The only other team to win three straight SEC titles was Alabama in the Bear Bryant era. Unfortunately, in this what-have-you-done-for-me-lately world, the last thing Florida did was get bombed by Nebraska in the Fiesta Bowl.

Nevertheless, it was the finest season (12-1) in school history and 14 starters are back to try again. Quarterback Danny Wuerffel will again direct coach Steve Spurrier's "fun 'n' gun" offense. The Gators lost wide receiver Chris Doering, but Wuerffel has plenty of targets in wideouts Ike Hilliard, Reidel Anthony and Jacquez Green. When his arm gets tired, he can hand off to tailbacks Terry Jackson and Elijah Williams.

Spurrier has done some shuffling on the defensive side of the ball. After serving as defensive coordinator from 1991-93, Ron Zook was demoted to special teams coach the last two seasons. He became defensive coordinator again when Bob Pruett was named head coach at Marshall but took an NFL job shortly thereafter. The new coordinator is Bob Stoops from Kansas State, who has installed an attacking 4-3 defense.

The defense overshadowed the offense in Florida's spring game, but Spurrier says, "the proof will be in the real games, not practice, and I think we'll play well. It's a scheme to stop people."

# Michigan 7



**Michigan won the last** of its record 37 Big Ten championships in 1992; Lloyd Carr's second season as head coach could bring No. 38. The Wolverines have 14 starters back, nine on defense, where the linebackers and secondary return intact from the Big Ten's best defensive unit.

All-star candidates abound — nose tackle William Carr, linebacker Jarrett Irons and a truly special cornerback tandem of Clarence Thompson and Charles Woodson. The concerns on offense are at tailback, where Tim Biakabutuka left early for the NFL, and wide receiver, where Amani Toomer and Mercury Hayes each had more than 2,000 career yards. Quarterback Brian Griese gained valuable experience as the mid-to-late-season starter last year but was suspended indefinitely in the spring for allegedly smashing a window at a bar. Scott Dreisbach, who opened the season as the starter before suffering a hand injury, returns.

"I think we have a very good situation at quarterback," Carr says, "because the experience that Dreisbach had will be a tremendous benefit to him, even though I would caution that he is still a very young quarterback from an experience standpoint."

At tailback, the Wolverines lost backup Ed Davis, as well as Biakabutuka. Clarence Williams, a 1995 freshman, got better each week. "I think he is ready to play a more prominent role as a sophomore," Carr says.

# Southern California 8

**After taking a few years off**, Southern California is back in command of the Pac-10 with two first-place ties and a second-place finish in the three years since coach John Robinson returned. Only 10 starters are back from 1995, but the Trojans should be favored again.

"We have a chance to continue our upward swing of the past three years, but we must be patient," Robinson says. "This is a very young team. There's a lot of talent on it, but we must allow that talent to develop," Robinson says.

USC's biggest loss is wide receiver Keyshawn Johnson, the No. 1 pick in the NFL draft. The Trojans led the Pac-10 with 414.8 yards a game, but must find a bunch of replacements to go with quarterback Brad Otton (391 yards in the Rose Bowl), 1,000-yard runner Delon Washington, wide receiver Larry Parker and guard Phalen Pounds, the only returning starters on offense. Defensively, the Trojans are switching from a 5-2 to a 4-3 alignment that highlights tackles Darrell Russell and Matt Keneley and sophomore cornerback Daylon McCutcheon, a special talent.

USC was picked in some quarters to win the 1995 national championship. It didn't happen that way, but it certainly is in the back of everyone's mind this year.

"Winning the Rose Bowl was a day we will all remember with pride," Robinson says, "but the challenge of the 1996 season is here. We know we can do more."



# Texas 9

**Texas won the final Southwest** Conference crown and has 14 starters back, seven on each side of the ball. Quarterback James Brown, running backs Shon Mitchell and Ricky Williams, wide receiver Mike Adams, tight end Pat Fitzgerald and All-America guard Dan Neil lead the offense. The entire secondary returns on defense and Phil Dawson is an outstanding placekicker but had reconstructive surgery on his left knee in March. He might return in time for the season. The main area of concern is how the offensive line jells with three new starters.

"We have been pleased with our progress in the first four years of our program," says coach John Mackovic, whose 1995 season got him off the hot seat and who agreed to a new contract that will keep him in Austin through 2000. "Now, we have a year of new challenges and must raise the bar to the next level."

"Our 1996 squad will have some question marks to be answered," cited Mackovic, "but we return a great deal of experience and proven players."

The 1995 offense led the SWC with a school-record 5,199 yards and was the second team in Texas history to surpass 2,000 yards both rushing and passing. The 1996 unit gets an added boost from the return of 1994 Sun Bowl MVP Priest Holmes, a running back, and wide receiver Curtis Jackson, who caught 27 passes in '94. Both missed last season with knee injuries.





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# 10 Clemson



**Clemson returned to the upper echelon** of the Atlantic Coast Conference last year, due in no small part to a healthy 5-0 road record. The Tigers return 13 starters, including dangerous wide receiver-kick returner Antwuan Wyatt, linebacker Anthony Simmons and cornerback Dexter McCleon.

Clemson is the only ACC team to return its starting quarterback and the offense will have to carry the load until the defense matures. Nealon Greene is coming off the finest season by a sophomore quarterback in school history — 58.4 percent completion rate, 1,474 yards, 10 touchdowns — and Clemson has always been a running team. The Tigers were ranked No. 4 nationally in rushing offense last year when 230-pound tailback Raymond Priestner and 242-pound fullback Emory Smith combined for nearly 2,000 yards and 20 touchdowns.

"We showed a lot of improvement offensively last year," coach Tommy West says. "It was night and day between 1994 and 1995 offensively. Now we want to take it to another level. We were fourth in the nation in rushing last year, and we want to hold our position there. We want to improve our passing game."

"Our defense has been solid (a top 15 ranking in scoring defense in eight of the last 10 years)," continues West. "We don't have the number of returners there as we do on offense this season, but we have played more people on defense than offense the last couple of years, so we do have players returning who will have had some experience."

# 11 Virginia Tech



**top program year in and year out**, coach Frank Beamer said after Virginia Tech drilled Texas 28-10 in the Sugar Bowl. The Hokies shared the Big East championship with Miami (they won the head-to-head battle 13-7) and captured the Lambert Trophy as the best team in the East. They start 1996 with a 10-game winning streak.

Tech led the nation in rushing defense with a 77.4-yard average, and six starters return from that unit, led by All-America end Cornell Brown, the Big East Defensive Player of the Year. Quarterback Jim Druckenmiller (2,103 yards, 14 touchdowns) is one of six returning starters on offense and has an outstanding line to protect him. It stars center Billy Conaty and tackle Jay Hagood. The key will be replacing wide receivers Bryan Still, the Sugar Bowl MVP, and Jermaine Holmes. Tailback Ken Oxendine should ease the loss of Dwayne Thomas.

After considering an early jump to the NFL, Brown decided to return to Blacksburg because "I want to continue to be a part of the program as we shoot for our fourth consecutive bowl appearance."

Beamer expects that to happen. "I think we can be a good team," he says. "Our goal is to be in the top echelon of the Big East Conference and challenge again for the championship. If you are among the leaders in the Big East, you automatically are considered one of the better teams in the country."

# Penn State 12



**With nine holdovers**, Penn State should field its best defensive unit since joining the Big Ten in 1993. The linebackers and secondary people are all back, led by cornerback Brian Miller. The Nittany Lions capped a 9-3 season with a 43-14 rout of Auburn in the Outback Bowl, but only three offensive starters return. The leaders are quarterback Wally Richardson (2,198 yards, 18 touchdowns) and tailback Curtis

Enis, who led the team in rushing with 683 yards and was voted Big Ten Freshman of the Year by the media without starting a game.

"I think we have just about got to start over, particularly on offense," says Joe Paterno, who won at least nine games for the 19th time and brings a record of 278-72-3 into his 31st season as head coach. "We have to get a new offensive line. We lost all our running backs who have played much of any football. We have lost our two top wideouts (Bobby Engram and Freddie Scott). Quarterback is the one position we felt comfortable with going into the spring."

"Defensively, we are in a little better shape," adds Paterno. "We have more people coming back. There are some things we want to look at, to try and see whether we can do a couple of things better on defense. I don't really have one priority. We just have to go out there and start to build a new football team, new leadership and try to get better in every aspect of the game."

# Ohio State 13



**Just when Ohio State could smell the roses and taste the 1995 national championship**, the smell turned putrid and the taste turned rancid in a 31-23 loss to Michigan in the regular-season finale. The Buckeyes also lost (1) to Tennessee in the Florida Citrus Bowl, (2) Heisman Trophy-winning tailback Eddie George, (3) record-breaking quarterback Bobby Hoying, and (4) All-America wide receiver Terry Glenn.

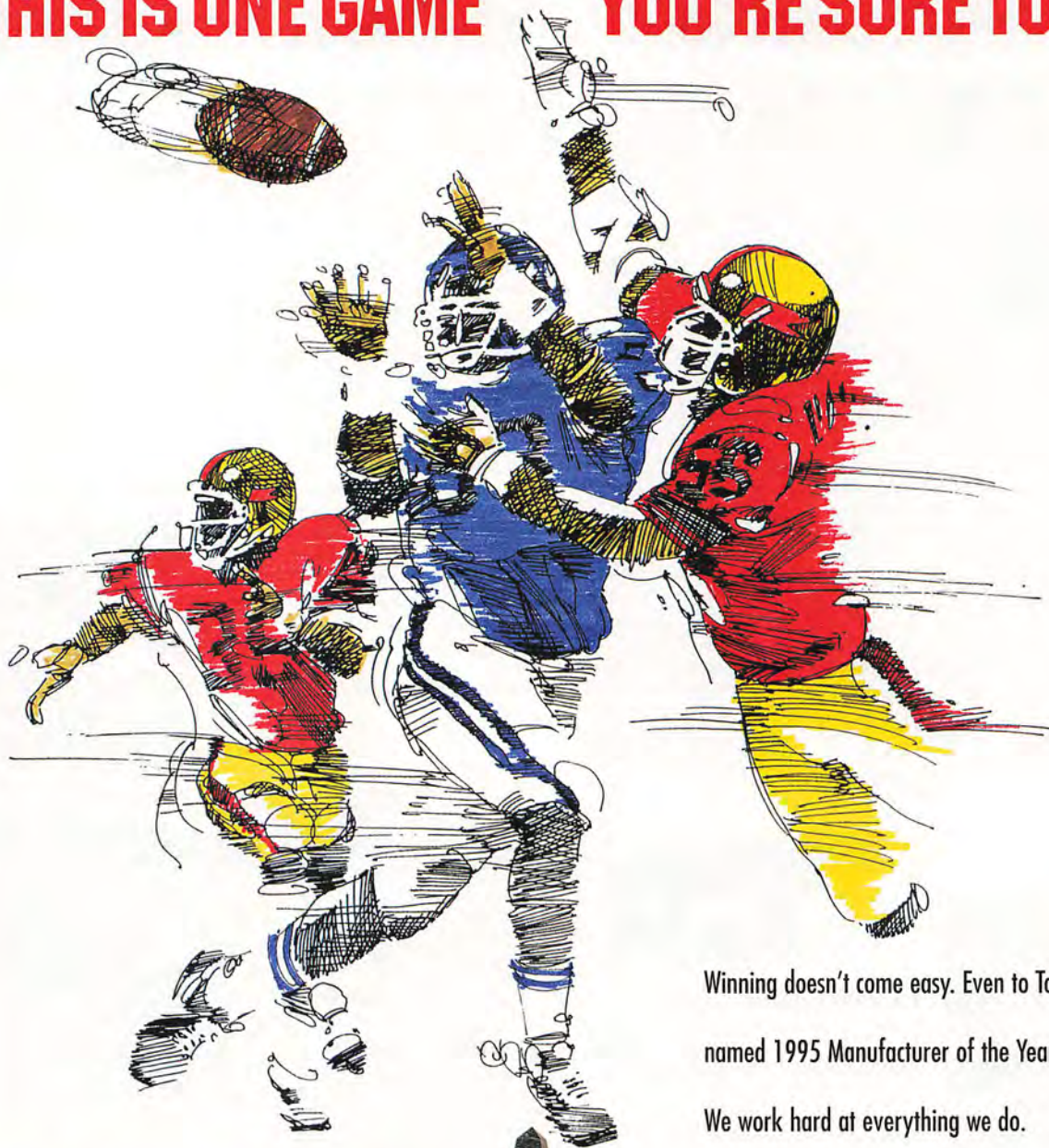
They return six starters on offense, led by 325-pound All-America tackle Orlando Pace, and 10 on defense, including ends Mike Vrabel and Matt Finkes and cornerback Shawn Springs. In recent years, Ohio State has lost a veritable all-star team of early defectors to the NFL, but the assembly line keeps churning out top-grade replacements.

Hoying led the Buckeyes to a school-record 461 points in 1995, took almost every snap for three years and will not be easy to replace. Stanley Jackson and Tom Hoying, Bobby's brother, saw limited action last year. Jackson directed the Buckeyes to three second-half touchdowns against Indiana after Hoying was knocked out of the game, but the job is up for grabs. Junior Pepe Pearson appears to be the successor to George.

"At a school like Ohio State, someone always steps up and fills the void," coach John Cooper says. "Two years ago, no one was sure what to expect when Eddie took over for Raymond Harris. Now, he is the Heisman Trophy winner."



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## Syracuse



**Syracuse capped a 9-3 season** with a 41-0 drubbing of Clemson in the Gator Bowl. The Orangemen return 15 starters, but coach Paul Pasqualoni says great chemistry is more important than great players. Last year, he had both, starting with sophomore quarterback Donovan McNabb, who rushed for 261 yards and threw for 1,991 yards and 16 touchdowns, with only six interceptions.

The biggest concern offensively is replacing Marvin Harrison's 56 receptions, 1,131 yards and eight touchdowns. The defense appears strong, especially in the secondary where All-America cornerback Kevin Abrams is coming off a six-interception season, plus two more in the Gator Bowl, and free safety Donovan Darius was an all-conference pick. Big East powers Virginia Tech and Miami both visit Syracuse.

The non-conference schedule frightens Pasqualoni. "Army can beat anyone," he says, noting the Cadets almost beat Washington and Notre Dame last year and crushed Boston College. He also points out that North Carolina's new offensive coordinator is Greg Davis, "and the last time Greg Davis was in the Carrier Dome (as head coach of Tulane in 1990), he beat us."

Minnesota, which hasn't had a winning season since 1990, "was the only team to beat Wisconsin" during the Badgers' Rose Bowl season of 1993 — and did it again the next year, Pasqualoni reminds everyone. "I'm not dreaming this stuff up," he says to Syracuse fans who are dreaming of more than a Big East crown. "We're probably a couple of years away. We're way too young and we have too many holes to fill."

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## Texas A&M



**The 1995 schedule** seemed tailor-made for Texas A&M to make a strong run at the national championship. Instead, the Aggies tied for second in the SWC, went 9-3 overall and had to win seven of their last eight games to get there after losing to Colorado and Texas Tech. The

entire backfield is gone, including tailback Leeland McElroy, the second-round pick of the Arizona Cardinals, and coach R.C. Slocum will move from a traditional formation to more of a pro-set.

The new quarterback is Brannon Stewart from Stephenville, Texas, who spent a year behind Peyton Manning at Tennessee, then transferred to Aggieland. Stewart gave Texas A&M fans a taste of what to expect in 1994 by completing 34 of 55 passes for 424 yards as Manning's sub. With McElroy sidelined in the Alamo Bowl, freshmen Sirr Parker, D'Andre Hardeman and Eric Bernard stepped up and rushed for 56, 41 and 40 yards, respectively.

"We had some disappointments throughout the season, but this team never wavered," Slocum says. "We ended the season with a 9-3 record and a win over Michigan."

The "Wrecking Crew" defense has eight starters back and should again be among the nation's best. All-America end Brandon Mitchell is a stud and outside linebacker Keith (no relation) Mitchell is the latest in a long line of great Texas A&M pass rushers. Michigan was held to 311 total yards, and Wolverines coach Lloyd Carr called the Aggies "the best defense I've seen this season."

## Washington

**Last season, Washington's slogan** was "Back On Top." And the Huskies celebrated their parole from a two-year probation by tying USC for the Pac-10 crown. But they lost the Rose Bowl tie-breaker, went to the Sun Bowl and were blown out by Iowa. They also lost career passing leader Damon Huard, but now prepare to introduce his brother, Brock, Gatorade's national high school Player of the Year in 1994. He will challenge Shane Fortney, the only signal-caller with any game experience.

Dave Janoski and Fred Coleman are fine wideouts and Rashaan Shehee is a ground-gobbling tailback. The inside linebackers are the strength of the defense, especially Ink Aleaga. All told, the Huskies return 12 starters.

"Last year was a year of coming close," coach Jim Lambright says. "It was a year of home games that were contested right down to the end of the fourth quarter (all six were decided in the final three minutes). I made a lot of jokes about increasing the sale of concessions because no one was leaving a home game early."

"Last year, we wondered about our ability to win on the road and by the end of the year people started wondering if we could win at home (3-2-1)," Lambright recalls.

"It was a memorable year that was highlighted by winning a piece of the conference championship and getting a chance to go back to a bowl game and . That certainly was our goal, to get back on top, and we proved we could do it."



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## Alabama

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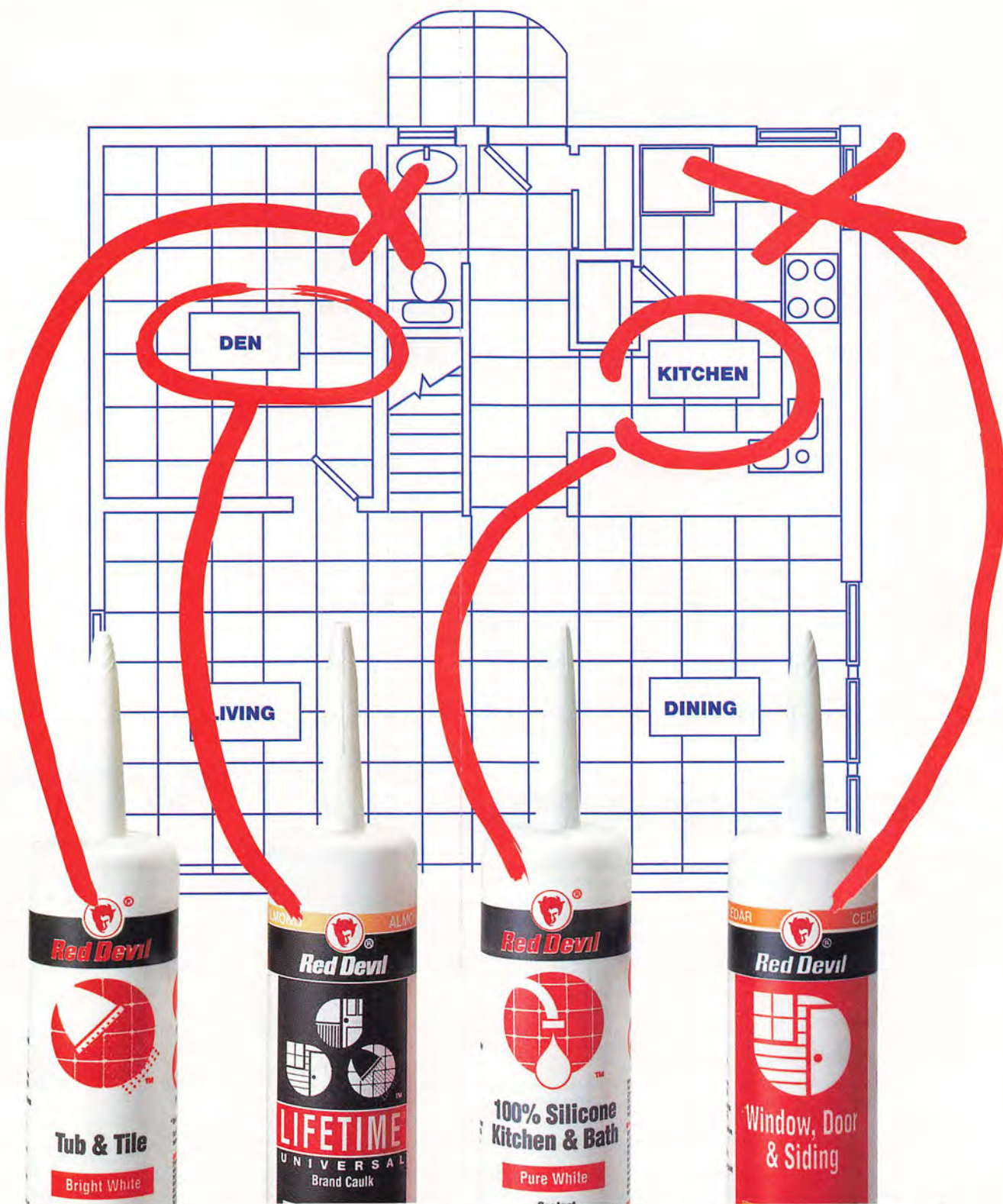
**Gene Stallings is still** Alabama's head coach, but offensive coordinator Homer Smith, the offensive genius, went to Arizona and Bill "Brother" Oliver, the defensive coordinator, defected to Auburn. That's where he began his coaching career, although few people in Alabama remember that. One Birmingham columnist called him Benedict Oliver.

Returning, however, are 17 starters, the most in Stallings' seven-year tenure. The Crimson Tide will do it with nine veterans coming back on defense, led by strong safety Kevin Jackson, cornerbacks Deshea Townsend and Fernando Bryant and linebackers Dwayne Rudd and, if he returns from a spring suspension, Ralph Staten. The only defensive vacancies are at middle linebacker and one tackle spot.

Quarterback Freddie Kitchens moved into a starting role late last season and has a strong arm, which he will display if Stallings, a Bear Bryant disciple, ever lets him throw the ball. The offensive line returns intact. Stallings' biggest task could be finding a placekicker to replace record-setting four-year regular Michael Proctor.

The schedule is kind. The only ranked team from 1995 the Tide faces in the first seven games is Arkansas. If all goes well, they could be 7-0 when they visit Tennessee on the fourth Saturday in October. So much for the tradition of the third Saturday.





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# Wisconsin



**Wisconsin lost record-setting** quarterback Darrell Bevell but returns almost everyone else — eight starters on both sides of the ball — from a relatively young team that snapped Penn State's 20-game winning streak but finished only 4-5-2. End Tarek Saleh, as good a pass rusher as you'll find, leads a defense that held three opponents under 10 points and limited five teams to fewer than 100 yards rushing. Thirteen players were first-year starters last year and the Badgers' schedule was rated the second most difficult in the country.

Wisconsin averaged a school-record 221.7 passing yards a game last season but 93 percent of those yards have graduated. Sophomore Mike Samuel gets first crack at replacing Bevell, who completed his career as the owner of nearly all of Wisconsin's passing records and is the Big Ten's No. 4 all-time passer; Samuel has thrown just 31 passes, but was 6-of-15 for 112 yards and two touchdowns in his most extensive action against Purdue.

Except for Bevell, tight end Matt Nyquist and wide receiver Michael London, the offense returns virtually intact. Carl McCullough rushed for 100 yards or more five times and became the third sophomore in school history to reach the 1,000-yard mark (he had 1,038, including 204 against Stanford). One of his backups, Aaron Stecker, led the nation's freshmen in kickoff returns. The line could start five fifth-year seniors, led by 315-pound tackle Jerry Wunsch and 305-pound guard Jamie Vanderveldt.

# Northwestern



**The ugly duckling wore** the glass slipper last when Northwestern ended a string of 23 losing seasons by shocking the college football world and winning the Big Ten with a 10-1 regular season. "I thought that we would go into the last game and have a chance to win our sixth game, maybe our seventh if we got real lucky," says coach Gary Barnett, who admits he didn't really have 1995 in mind when he promised to "take the Purple to Pasadena."

He was thinking more along the lines of 1996. "Let's see if we can do it again," Barnett says. "We've got 13 starters coming back, plus our two kickers. We've got good young kids. We projected as a staff that '96 would be our year to have a significant turn . . . so I think we're in pretty good shape."

The meanest Wildcat is All-America tailback Darnell Autry. On defense, Pat Fitzgerald is an All-America linebacker.

While many college football "experts" probably expect Northwestern to return to its losing ways, Barnett doesn't.

"The recipe (for success) is simple and it's been around a long time," he says. "It's just a matter of believing in the recipe. Everybody's got it. It's just absolutely getting enough people convinced that it really can happen."

"I think as much as anything, we had a group of players who at one point in the year got to where they refused to lose; they just flat refused to ever lose again. We did it by just keeping our head down and playing six seconds at a time, 60 or 70 plays a game and looking up at the end to see what the score was and then someone told us who we would play the next week."

# 19 Miami



**Despite a reduction** in scholarships mandated by an NCAA probation — down from 25 to 13 this year and next — Miami should have enough left to make a run at the Big East title. The Hurricanes have won or shared the crown four times in the league's five-year existence and return 10 starters on offense — including two from 1994 who suffered knee injuries last year — and another 10 on defense.

Quarterback Ryan Clement (1,638 yards, seven touchdowns) will direct the attack after leading Miami to seven straight wins to close the 1995 season. Tailback Danyell Ferguson became the second runner in school history to rush for 1,000 yards (1,069). All the receivers are back and there are six offensive linemen with starting experience. The Hurricanes should be 4-0 when Florida State comes calling on Oct. 12. If they win that one, who knows?

"I think it (experience) is significantly improved over last year," says second-year coach Butch Davis, whose club recovered from a 1-3 start and ended the season with a seven-game winning streak. "The silver lining in last year's injury situation was that we played a lot of guys. Having 18 starters back . . . will allow us to get off to an easier start to the season because we have guys who actually will have game experience."

Since 1983, when it won the first of its four national championships, Miami has the best record in college football (134-22; .859 to Nebraska's 133-23-1; .850). Last year (8-3) was just the third time in 13 years the 'Canes failed to win at least 10 games.

# 21 Auburn



**Auburn returns 14 starters**, nine on defense, but the Tigers' success probably will depend on how well Dameyune Craig replaces Patrick Nix at quarterback. Question: Was it just a coincidence that coach Terry Bowden won big with a lot of former coach Pat Dye's players and won small when his own recruits started playing?

First-year defensive coordinator Bill Oliver inherits some solid performers, namely, linebackers Marcellus Mostella and Terry Solomon, strong safety Martavius Houston and nose tackle Jimmy Brumbaugh. Oh, Brother.

"Although we are having to replace a quarterback, tailback and tight end, the development of a young offensive line is number one on the agenda," Bowden says. "We have to get players in the right positions as quickly as possible."

"Fred Beasley will move from fullback to tailback," Bowden goes on to say. "He is the heir-apparent to Stephen Davis, but it is without question he will receive serious competition from Rusty Williams, Eric Hines-Tucker and Cencade Pennington."

"Defensively, we have to quickly orient to coach Oliver's system, both players and coaches. Although we have nine starters, the challenge for overall improvement gives us a chance to have five or six new starters by opening day. Mostella and Solomon give us a chance to have all-star performances from the outside linebacker positions."



# 22

## Georgia Tech



After three losing seasons, Georgia Tech went 6-5 in George O'Leary's first full year as head coach and returns 15 starters, including tailback C.J. Williams, wide receiver Derrick Steagall, cornerback Nathan Perryman and the linebacking tandem of Ron Rogers and Keith Brooking. Redshirt freshman Joe

Hamilton won the quarterback job in the spring. Both Hamilton and sophomore Brandon Shaw "have stronger arms than what we had last year," O'Leary says. Hamilton was impressive on the scout team a year ago, while Shaw keyed a fourth-quarter comeback against North Carolina State.

Despite the return of three starting linemen, a major task on offense is replacing four-year starter Michael Cheever at center. The competition is between redshirt freshman Abe Fernandez and sophomore Craig Page, a transfer from Louisville, who is playing the position for the first time. Tackle Curtis McGee and guard Ken Celaj are all-conference candidates.

On defense, Rogers was a second-team all-conference selection and Brooking had a standout sophomore season with 146 tackles. Perryman will be a starter at field cornerback for the third straight season. He has career totals of 134 tackles, six interceptions and 23 pass breakups, plus a career average of 11.3 yards on 34 punt returns.

# 23

## East Carolina



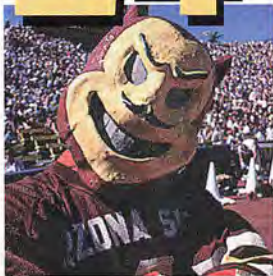
the Carolinas the last two years has been East Carolina. Better than North Carolina, better than Clemson, better than North Carolina State, better than South Carolina, better than Duke and certainly better than Wake Forest. For the first time since 1982-83, East Carolina has posted back-to-back winning seasons and was ranked No. 14 in *The New York Times'* final computer ratings.

The Pirates return nine starters from a potent offense (396.1 yards a game) led by career passing leader Marcus Crandell. He has already passed Jeff Blake of the Cincinnati Bengals as the all-time leader in total offense (6,026) and passing yardage (5,691). Last year, Crandell completed 235 of 447 passes for 2,751 yards — he had a school-record 392 against Syracuse — and 18 touchdowns.

Perhaps ECU is making a mistake by remaining an independent; last year, the Pirates were 3-0 against Big East teams (Syracuse, West Virginia and Temple). They also knocked off Stanford in the Liberty Bowl and finished 9-3. They face three Big East teams this season, West Virginia, Miami and Virginia Tech, all on the road. If they win them, the Pirates may become honorary members of the conference.

# 24

## Arizona State



Arizona State, with 17 starters returning, is thinking Rose Bowl. The offense could be the most productive in the Pac-10 with Jake Plummer at quarterback, plus tailbacks Michael Martin and Terry Battle, wide receiver Keith Poole, tight end Steve Bush and preseason All-American Juan Roque at tackle. The only

losses are tailback Chris Hopkins, who started only six games, and flyback (i.e. fullback) Ryan Wood. In all, Arizona State lost only eight seniors, fewest in the Pac-10.

"Jake Plummer deserves all of the recognition that he may receive," coach Bruce Snyder says. "He is one of the best young players I have ever been around. If I were starting a team from scratch, he would be my first pick."

Remarkably, ASU's running backs did not lose a fumble all last year. "Michael (Martin) gives us the big, physical back to go along with the speed that Terry Battle and Marlon Farlow provide," Snyder says. "Michael returned very healthy from a devastating knee injury and posted a nice season (566 yards, 4.1 average). We expect him to carry the bulk of the load in 1996."

The defense is led by free safety Mitchell "Fright Night" Freedman and linebacker Scott Von der Ahe. The Sun Devils open with five home games, including Washington and defending national champion Nebraska.

## Utah

# 25



Utah was part of a four-way first-place tie in the wild, wacky, wonderful Western Athletic Conference and returns 15 starters. Free safety Harold Lusk is an All-America candidate and the Utes are loaded at the skill positions with quarterback Mike Fouts, wide receiver Rocky Henry and a 272-pound sophomore fullback named Chris Fuamatu-Ma'afala, who should be one of the nation's most interesting players. He rushed for 834 yards last year and averaged 5.9 a carry in winning WAC Freshman of the Year honors.

"This is physically the strongest team we've had — even stronger than the (10-2) team we had two years ago — and it's a lot younger than that team," says coach Ron McBride, who has a 41-30 record in six seasons and has taken the Utes to three bowls, although last year's 7-4 mark for some reason didn't warrant one. "The reason this group is so strong is due to the attitude that prevails here now, the ability of the players and their work ethic. Our main ingredients are still in the underclasses. We have some real legitimate competition at every position. There are people competing for jobs at every position and they're all good players."

McBride's philosophy is MAFU, which sounds like one of his Samoan players, but stands for "mental toughness, aggressiveness, fanatical effort and unity."

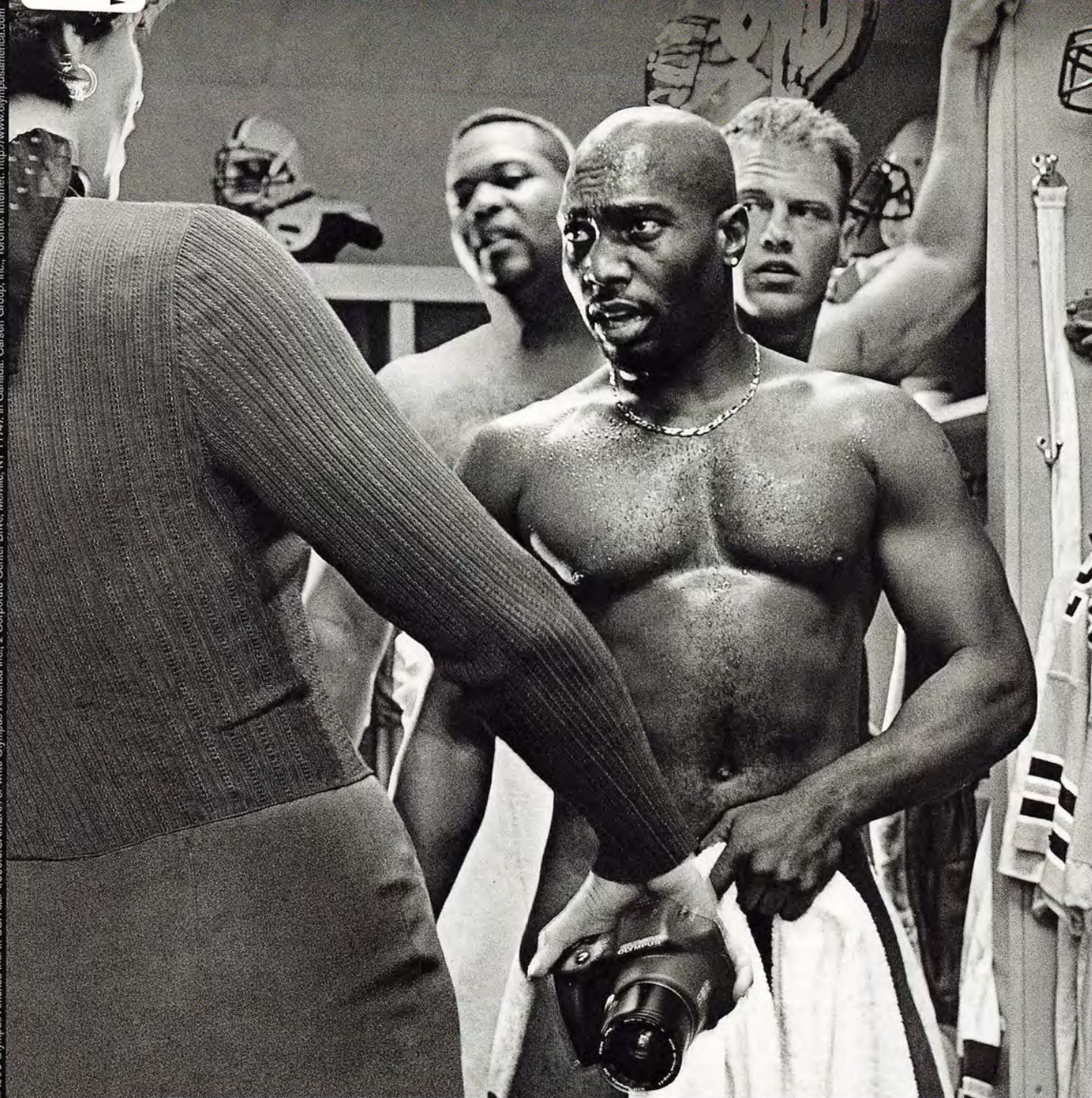


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Whoever coined the phrase "the more things change, the more they remain the same" must have been a college football fan. The more players who graduate — or forego graduation — to head for the greener pastures of the National Football League, the more new stars who step forward to take their place.

**K**ind of reminds us of a song by George Jones entitled "Who's Gonna Fill Their Shoes" about aging country music stars. And in a delicious sort of irony, one of college football's new stars is named, of all things, George Jones, a running back at San Diego State who has filled Marshall Faulk's shoes very nicely. A junior college transfer, Jones made his debut at the Division I-A level last year by rushing for a Western Athletic Conference record 1,842 yards.

As usual, the list of early expatriates reads like an all-star team. Listed alphabetically, they include UCLA running back Karim Abdul-Jabbar, Auburn tackle Willie Anderson, Michigan tailback Tim Biakabutuka, Texas defensive end Tony Brackens, California defensive end Duane Clemons, Ohio State wide receiver Terry Glenn, LSU wideout Eddie Kennison, Oklahoma State defensive end Jevon Langford, Miami (Fla.) line-backer Ray Lewis, Texas A&M tailback/kick returner Leeland McElroy, Washington free safety Lawyer Milloy, Oklahoma halfback Jerald Moore, Nebraska tailback Lawrence Phillips, Michigan tackle Jon Runyan, Penn State wide receiver Freddie Scott, California defensive lineman Regan Upshaw, Kentucky running back Moe Williams and Rutgers running back Terrell Willis.

Not to worry. The top four running backs from 1995 return: Iowa State's Troy Davis, Toledo's Wasean Tait, San Diego State's Jones and Northwestern's Darnell Autry. So does the top-rated passer, Florida's Danny Wuerffel.

Here, then, are Athlon's best of the best, plus the best of the rest:

### QUARTERBACKS

#### Peyton Manning, Tennessee

Manning or Wuerffel? Wuerffel or Manning? Stay tuned; they'll meet in Knoxville on Sept. 21. Manning has the arm, the size (6-5, 215) and the genes; he's the son of former NFL quarterback Archie Manning (Wuerffel's father is an Air Force chaplain). Wuerffel has Steve Spurrier's "system," which helped him compile the best single-season rating in Southeastern Conference history. Man-

ning set Tennessee records last year with 380 passes, 244 completions, 2,954 passing yards and a 64.2 completion percentage. And he threw only four interceptions in those 380 attempts.

Second Team — Danny Wuerffel, Florida

Third Team — Jake Plummer, Arizona State

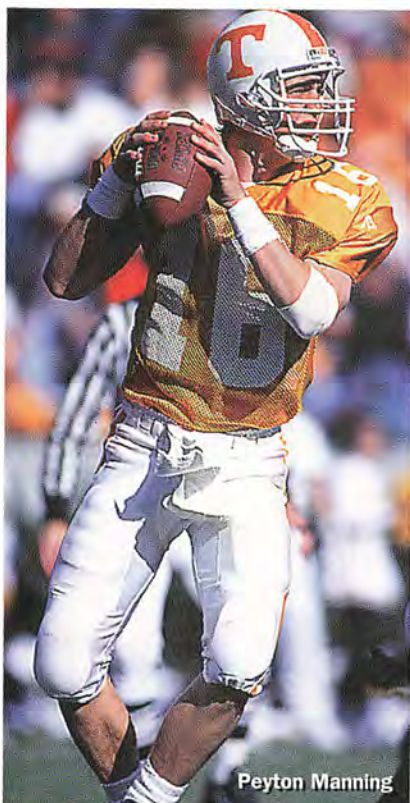
### Best of the Rest

Jim Arellanes, Fresno State  
Pat Barnes, California  
Charlie Batch, Eastern Michigan  
Billy Blanton, San Diego State  
James Brown, Texas  
Chuck Clements, Houston  
Marcus Crandell, East Carolina  
Daunte Culpepper, Central Florida  
Koy Detmer, Colorado  
Jim Druckenmiller, Virginia Tech  
Ramon Flanigan, SMU  
Tony Graziani, Oregon  
Chad Johnston, West Virginia  
Ryan Leaf, Washington State  
Zebbie Lethridge, Texas Tech  
Jason Martin, Louisiana Tech  
Donovan McNabb, Syracuse  
Beau Morgan, Air Force  
Brad Otton, USC  
Raymond Phillyaw, N.E. Louisiana  
Ron Powlus, Notre Dame  
Wally Richardson, Penn State  
Steve Sarkisian, BYU  
Cory Sauter, Minnesota  
Matt Sherman, Iowa  
Brandon Stewart, Texas A&M  
Derrick Taite, Mississippi State

### RUNNING BACKS

#### Warrick Dunn, Florida State

The first two-time 1,000-yard rusher in Florida State history, Dunn set a school record with 1,242 yards last year. He needs 778 yards to become the school's career rushing leader. Recorded nine 100-yard games, including six straight. Led the Atlantic Coast Conference and ranked second in the nation with 7.5 yards per carry. Also caught 43 passes for 294 yards and three touchdowns.



Peyton Manning



Warrick Dunn



## First Team

### OFFENSE

WR	Will Blackwell	6-0, 180	Jr.	San Diego State
WR	Joey Kent	6-1, 184	Sr.	Tennessee
TE	Pat Fitzgerald	6-2, 225	Sr.	Texas
OL	Orlando Pace	6-6, 320	Jr.	Ohio State
OL	Dan Neil	6-2, 285	Sr.	Texas
OL	Juan Roque	6-8, 319	Sr.	Arizona State
OL	Chris Naeole	6-4, 295	Sr.	Colorado
OL	Aaron Taylor	6-1, 305	Jr.	Nebraska
QB	Peyton Manning	6-5, 215	Jr.	Tennessee
RB	Troy Davis	5-8, 190	Jr.	Iowa State
RB	Warrick Dunn	5-9, 185	Sr.	Florida State

### DEFENSE

DL	Jared Tomich	6-2, 260	Sr.	Nebraska
DL	Cornell Brown	6-2, 240	Sr.	Virginia Tech
DL	Brandon Mitchell	6-4, 275	Sr.	Texas A&M
DL	Darrell Russell	6-4, 320	Jr.	Southern Cal
LB	Pat Fitzgerald	6-2, 233	Sr.	Northwestern
LB	Lyon Cobbins	6-0, 246	Sr.	Notre Dame
LB	Terrell Farley	6-1, 205	Sr.	Nebraska
DB	Chris Canty	5-10, 190	Jr.	Kansas State
DB	Lawrence Wright	6-1, 209	Sr.	Florida
DB	Kevin Abrams	5-8, 158	Sr.	Syracuse
DB	Clarence Thompson	6-1, 198	Sr.	Michigan

### SPECIALISTS

KR	Robert Tate	5-10, 190	Sr.	Cincinnati
PR	James Dye	5-9, 150	Sr.	BYU
K	Michael Reeder	6-0, 162	Jr.	TCU
P	Brad Maynard	6-1, 175	Sr.	Ball State

## Second Team

### OFFENSE

WR	Andre Cooper	6-2, 194	Sr.	Florida State
WR	Keith Poole	6-2, 185	Sr.	Arizona State
TE	Freddie Jones	6-5, 255	Sr.	North Carolina
OL	Steve Scifres	6-5, 291	Sr.	Wyoming
OL	Chris Dishman	6-3, 310	Sr.	Nebraska
OL	Billy Conaty	6-3, 306	Sr.	Virginia Tech
OL	K.C. Jones	6-2, 261	Sr.	Miami
OL	Calvin Collins	6-3, 290	Sr.	Texas A&M
QB	Danny Wuerffel	6-2, 209	Sr.	Florida
RB	Darnell Autry	5-11, 209	Jr.	Northwestern
RB	Jay Graham	6-0, 206	Sr.	Tennessee

### DEFENSE

DL	Mike Vrabel	6-4, 255	Sr.	Ohio State
DL	Chris Akins	6-1, 292	Jr.	Texas
DL	Grant Wistrom	6-5, 250	Jr.	Nebraska
DL	Tarek Saleh	6-3, 236	Sr.	Wisconsin
LB	Daryl Bush	6-2, 230	Jr.	Florida State
LB	Matt Russell	6-2, 245	Sr.	Colorado
LB	Anthony Simmons	6-1, 213	So.	Clemson
DB	Ronde Barber	5-10, 180	Jr.	Virginia
DB	Bryant Westbrook	6-0, 195	Sr.	Texas
DB	Shawn Springs	6-0, 185	Jr.	Ohio State
DB	Nathan Perryman	5-9, 191	Sr.	Georgia Tech

### SPECIALISTS

KR	Damon Dunn	5-10, 175	Jr.	Stanford
PR	Paul Guidry	5-10, 175	Sr.	UCLA
K	Jeff Hall	6-0, 182	So.	Tennessee
P	Will Brice	6-5, 204	Sr.	Virginia

## Troy Davis, Iowa State

Stephen Davis of Auburn began the season with the lion's share of the publicity, but it was Iowa State's Troy Davis who racked up the yards. His 2,010 rushing yards and 182.7 average led the nation, and he established a national sophomore record with 2,466 all-purpose yards. The only player ever to rush for 2,000 yards in a season and not win the Heisman Trophy.

Second Team — Darnell Autry, Northwestern; Jay Graham, Tennessee  
Third Team — Tiki Barber, Virginia; Ahman Green, Nebraska

## Best of the Rest

James Allen, Oklahoma	Shon Mitchell, Texas
Jerod Douglas, Baylor	Raymond Priester, Clemson
Marc Edwards, Notre Dame	Sedrick Shaw, Iowa
Robert Edwards, Georgia	Rashan Shehee, Washington
Curtis Enis, Penn State	Alex Smith, Indiana
Kevin Faulk, LSU	Wasean Tait, Toledo
Danyell Ferguson, Miami	Charles Talley, Northern Illinois
Chris Fuamatu-Ma'afala, Utah	Malcolm Thomas, Syracuse
Byron Hanspard, Texas Tech	David Thompson, Oklahoma State
June Henley, Kansas	Corey Walker, Arkansas State
Skip Hicks, UCLA	Billy West, Pittsburgh
Madre Hill, Arkansas	Astron Whatley, Kent
Leon Johnson, North Carolina	C.J. Williams, Georgia Tech
George Jones, San Diego State	Reggie Williams, Tulsa
Randy Kinder, Notre Dame	Ricky Williams, Texas
Dennis Manns, New Mexico State	Abu Wilson, Utah State
Silas Massey, Central Michigan	

## WIDE RECEIVERS

### Will Blackwell, San Diego State

As a 1995 sophomore, Blackwell tied a school record with 86 receptions, good for 1,207 yards and eight touchdowns. He finished fifth nationally with 7.8 catches a game and seventh with 109.7 receiving yards a game. Western Athletic Conference Freshman of the Year in 1994 with 51 catches for 689 yards. Outstanding at making adjustments when the ball is in the air and adept at gaining yards after a catch.

## Third Team

### OFFENSE

WR	Marcus Harris	6-2, 214	Sr.	Wyoming
WR	Ike Hilliard	5-11, 182	Jr.	Florida
TE	Kris Mangum	6-5, 240	Sr.	Mississippi
OL	Donnie Young	6-4, 299	Sr.	Florida
OL	Benji Olson	6-4, 300	So.	Washington
OL	Ryan Tucker	6-6, 290	Sr.	TCU
OL	Jay Hagood	6-4, 307	Sr.	Virginia Tech
OL	Rod Payne	6-4, 285	Sr.	Michigan
QB	Jake Plummer	6-2, 190	Sr.	Arizona State
RB	Tiki Barber	5-10, 195	Sr.	Virginia
RB	Ahman Green	6-0, 210	So.	Nebraska

### DEFENSE

DL	Matt Rice	6-3, 270	Sr.	Northwestern
DL	Kenny Holmes	6-4, 247	Sr.	Miami
DL	Greg Ellis	6-6, 260	Jr.	North Carolina
DL	Matt Finkes	6-2, 258	Sr.	Ohio State
LB	Tyrus McCloud	6-2, 251	Sr.	Louisville
LB	Jarrett Irons	6-1, 231	Sr.	Michigan
LB	Reggie Garnett	6-1, 228	Sr.	Michigan State
DB	Sean Andrews	5-10, 176	Jr.	Navy
DB	Kenny Wheaton	5-9, 182	Jr.	Oregon
DB	Brian Miller	5-9, 186	Sr.	Penn State
DB	Kevin Jackson	6-1, 200	Sr.	Alabama

### SPECIALISTS

KR	Emmett Mosley	5-8, 184	Sr.	Notre Dame
PR	Brian Roberson	5-10, 170	Sr.	Fresno State
K	Phil Dawson	5-11, 187	Jr.	Texas
P	Chad Kessler	6-1, 197	Jr.	LSU



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## Joey Kent, Tennessee

When Manning throws the ball, chances are that Kent will be nearby when it comes down. He set Tennessee single-season records last year, becoming the first Vol receiver to register 1,000 yards (1,055) and leading the Southeastern Conference with 69 receptions, including a record-tying 13 against Arkansas. He also paced the SEC with 95.9 receiving yards a game. Fourth on Tennessee's all-time list with 115 catches and tied for the top spot with 18 TD receptions.

Second Team — Andre Cooper, Florida State; Keith Poole, Arizona State  
Third Team — Marcus Harris, Wyoming; Ike Hilliard, Florida

## Best of the Rest

Mike Adams, Texas  
Octavus Barnes, North Carolina  
Na'il Benjamin, California  
Rae Carruth, Colorado  
Wes Caswell, Tulsa  
Fred Coleman, Washington  
Albert Connell, Texas A&M  
Zola Davis, South Carolina  
Richard Dice, Arizona  
Tim Dwight, Iowa  
Jammi German, Miami  
E.G. Green, Florida State  
Duane Gregory, N.M. State  
Az Hakim, San Diego State  
Rocky Henry, Utah  
James Kidd, Colorado

Tony Knox, Western Michigan  
Kevin Lockett, Kansas State  
Chad Mackey, Louisiana Tech  
Brian Manning, Stanford  
Derrick Mason, Michigan State  
Ryan Pearson, S. Mississippi  
Brian Roberson, Fresno State  
David Saunders, West Virginia  
Phil Savoy, Colorado  
Tony Simmons, Wisconsin  
Eric Starks, Bowling Green  
Derrick Steagall, Georgia Tech  
Brandon Stokley, S.W. Louisiana  
Robert Tate, Cincinnati  
John Washington, TCU  
Antwuan Wyatt, Clemson

## TIGHT ENDS

### Pat Fitzgerald, Texas

His eight touchdown catches last year, a school record for his position, are the most of any returning tight end in the nation. Fitzgerald is tied for the top spot on the Texas charts with 10 career TD catches by a tight end. He played 551 downs at tight end and 166 more on special teams, and caught 30 passes for 445 yards in '95. Set school weightlifting records for a tight end with a 320-pound power clean and a 198-pound shoulder press. Academic All-American, as well.

Second Team — Freddie Jones, North Carolina

Third Team — Kris Mangum, Mississippi

## Best of the Rest

Stephen Alexander, Oklahoma  
John Allred, USC  
Josh Bradley, Louisiana Tech  
Tony Gonzalez, California  
Bryan Jennings, Virginia Tech  
David LaFleur, LSU

Matt Lepsis, Colorado  
Ron Leshinski, Army  
Chad Lewis, BYU  
Alonzo Mayes, Oklahoma State  
Josh Wilcox, Oregon

## OFFENSIVE LINEMEN

### Chris Naeole, Colorado

A guard, he graded out at 82.6 percent last year, tops among Colorado's linemen. Naeole allowed no sacks last fall (he's conceded only one in his career) and just two quarterback pressures. Was called for only three penalties, was second on team in "pancake" blocks (35) and third in touchdown blocks (21) and downfield blocks (31). Played the second half of the season with a severe ankle sprain.

### Dan Neil, Texas

A first-team All-America selection by the Football Writers Association of America and a second-team pick by several other groups, Neil has the strength to overpower opponents and the agility to set up long runs as a pulling guard. He recorded 68 pancake blocks last year (144 career total) and is the Longhorns' strength and conditioning leader, having won the

Iron Man title every year since arriving at Texas. Holds school records in the shoulder press (308 pounds) and the push jerk (385). Holds records for offensive linemen with a 370-pound power clean and a 639-pound squat.

## Orlando Pace, Ohio State

Pace moved into the Buckeye starting lineup on the first day of practice as a true freshman in 1994 and last year became the first sophomore ever

to win the Lombardi Award. A runner-up for the Outland Trophy, he possesses exceptional athletic skills and agility for a 6-6, 320-pounder. Pace graded out at 100 percent and had 10 pancake blocks against Illinois. Plays on the defensive goal-line unit and blocked a Wisconsin field-goal attempt. Could be the best of an impressive group of Ohio State linemen that includes Jim Parker, John Hicks, Jim Lachey and Korey Stringer.



## Juan Roque, Arizona State

At 6-8 and 319 pounds, Roque is the largest player in the Pacific-10 Conference and Arizona State's best offensive lineman since perennial Pro Bowler Randall McDaniel a decade ago. Boasting a great combination of size and speed, Roque was in for 825 plays last season and committed only 14 assignment errors, including just three in the last seven games. Graduated in May with a degree in Latin American history. Started eight games at guard in 1994.

## Aaron Taylor, Nebraska

Taylor led the Cornhuskers in pancake blocks, averaging 11.6 a game (128 total) last season, his first as a starter. His blocking helped the Huskers increase their per-game rushing average from 340.0 yards in 1994 to 399.8 last year. Moves to center to replace All-American Aaron Graham after starting all of 1995 at guard.

Second Team — Calvin Collins, Texas A&M; Billy Conaty, Virginia Tech; Chris Dishman, Nebraska; K.C. Jones, Miami; Steve Scifres, Wyoming

Third Team — Jay Hagood, Virginia Tech; Benji Olson, Washington; Rod Payne, Michigan; Ryan Tucker, TCU; Donnie Young, Florida

## Best of the Rest

### Tackles

Eric Anderson, Nebraska  
David Davis, Baylor  
Clay Hopkins, Louisiana Tech  
Brian Kardos, Northwestern  
Ben Kaufman, Texas Tech  
Curtis McGee, Georgia Tech

Scott Rehberg, Central Michigan  
Scott Sanderson, Wash. State  
Ron Suddith, East Carolina  
Kyle Turley, San Diego State  
Paul Wiggins, Oregon  
Jerry Wunsch, Wisconsin

### Guards

Brad Badger, Stanford  
Mike Bird, Miami (O.)  
LeShun Daniels, Ohio State  
Alan Faneca, LSU  
Jay Korth, Wyoming

Larry Moore, BYU  
Jamar Nesbit, South Carolina  
Brian Newnam, Tulsa  
Mark Nori, Boston College  
Phalen Pounds, USC  
Tony Roush, Ball State

### Centers

Russ Appel, Missouri  
Mark Gregg, Oregon  
Jason Johnson, Kansas State  
Brannon Kidd, SMU

Jeff Mitchell, Florida  
Jeff Saturday, North Carolina  
Brandon Turner, New Mexico





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## DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

### Cornell Brown, Virginia Tech

Brown is 1) considered Tech's best defender since Outland Trophy winner Bruce Smith in 1984 and 2) the only returning regular from a line that helped hold Texas to 226 total yards in the Sugar Bowl, barely half the Longhorns' season average. Brown, whose brother, Reuben, is an offensive lineman in the NFL after winning All-Big East honors at Pittsburgh, was the Big East's Defensive Player of the Year. Recorded 14 regular-season sacks, three more in the Sugar Bowl, plus 11 other tackles for losses.

### Brandon Mitchell, Texas A&M

Credited with 47 tackles last year, plus six sacks and nine other stops behind the line of scrimmage, Mitchell also pressured quarterbacks into eight incompletions. A Lombardi Award semifinalist, he posted top marks among the Aggies' defensive linemen in the power clean (330 pounds), 40-yard dash (4.89), 20-yard shuttle (4.44) and vertical jump (32 inches). Returned an interception for a touchdown for the second straight year.

### Darrell Russell, USC

Coach John Robinson says Russell "might become the best defensive lineman I've ever coached at USC. He was impressive when he came here as a freshman in 1994, but few players have improved as much as he has. He's headed for greatness." The only sophomore position player named to the All-Pac-10 team last year, he made 41 tackles, including a team-high 14 behind the line. Started the last six games in 1994 as a true freshman.

### Jared Tomich, Nebraska

Tomich broke in with a bang as a first-year starter in 1995, leading the team with 10 sacks for 79 yards in losses, 24 quarterback hurries, 12 tackles

behind the line, three forced fumbles and two fumble recoveries. Added one more sack in the Fiesta Bowl demolition of Florida. "I've never been around a guy who wants to step in and understand the opponent as much as he does," says Nebraska assistant Tony Samuel.

Second team — Chris Akins, Texas; Tarek Saleh, Wisconsin; Mike Vrabel, Ohio State; Grant Wistrom, Nebraska

Third Team — Greg Ellis, North Carolina; Matt Finkes, Ohio State; Kenny Holmes, Miami; Matt Rice, Northwestern



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## Best of the Rest

Henry Bloomfield, BYU  
William Carr, Michigan  
Canute Curtis, West Virginia  
Nathan Davis, Indiana  
Bill Ennis-Inge, Iowa  
Darrius Felder, Cincinnati  
Luke Fickell, Ohio State  
Kendrick Gholston, Louisville  
Carl Hansen, Stanford  
Johnnie Hicks, Maryland  
Gary Holmes, Washington State  
Bryant Jackson, Oregon  
Andy Jacobs, California  
Greg Jones, Colorado  
Ndukwe Kalu, Rice  
Matt Keneley, USC  
Travis Kirschke, UCLA  
Jon Krick, Purdue

Jerome Lang, Texas Tech  
Kenard Lang, Miami  
Leonard Little, Tennessee  
Anthony McFarland, LSU  
Jason Peter, Nebraska  
David Richie, Washington  
Joe Salave'a, Arizona  
Mark Schmidt, Oregon  
Rick Terry, North Carolina  
Andre Wadsworth, Florida State  
Todd White, Virginia  
Brandon Whiting, California  
Chuck Wiley, LSU  
Pat Williams, Texas A&M  
Reinard Wilson, Florida State  
Nyle Wiren, Kansas State  
Renaldo Wynn, Notre Dame

## LINEBACKERS

### Lyron Cobbins, Notre Dame

He became an impact player last year, posting team highs for tackles (105) and interceptions (five), with the picks all coming in the last four regular-season games. The five interceptions tied the Notre Dame record by a linebacker. Also had a team-high three fumble recoveries. Played more minutes than any other player on defense and also played 68 snaps on special teams. Tied for the team lead with eight tackles against Florida State in the Orange Bowl.

### Terrell Farley, Nebraska

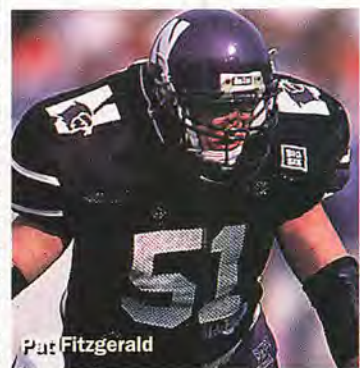
Farley made major contributions immediately last year after transferring from junior college. He led Nebraska's famed "Black Shirt" defense with 62 tackles, 27 solo stops, two blocked punts and three interceptions, two of which were returned for touchdowns. He also recorded nine tackles for 45 yards in losses, five sacks for 40 yards, five pass breakups and 12 quarterback hurries. Led the Cornhuskers in the Fiesta Bowl with eight tackles, including two sacks. Named Big Eight Defensive Newcomer of the Year.

### Pat Fitzgerald, Northwestern

The leader of the nation's top-ranked scoring defense (12.7 points per game), Fitzgerald won several awards, including national Defensive Player of the Year, in 1995. His 13.0 tackles per game were tops in the Big Ten, and Fitzgerald finished second in the league with 130 total tackles, including 99 solo stops, despite missing the final contest after suffering a broken leg against Iowa. Also missed the Rose Bowl. Three-time Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week. Had three sacks and nine other tackles for losses.

Second team — Daryl Bush, Florida State; Matt Russell, Colorado; Anthony Simmons, Clemson

Third Team — Reggie Garnett, Michigan State; Jarrett Irons, Michigan; Tyrus McCloud, Louisville



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## Best of the Rest

Ink Aleaga, Washington  
Anthony Armour, Texas Tech  
Derrick Barnes, Oregon  
Greg Bellisari, Ohio State  
Bert Berry, Notre Dame  
Chris Bordano, SMU  
Jason Chorak, Washington  
Micheal Comer, UTEP  
Dwayne Curry, Mississippi State  
James Darling, Washington State  
Craig Dues, Toledo  
Jamie Duncan, Vanderbilt  
James Farrior, Virginia  
David Gill, Utah State  
Kenyon Harper, Miami (O.)  
Richard Hogans, Memphis  
Brad Jackson, Cincinnati  
Jerry Jensen, Washington  
Muadianvita Kazadi, Tulsa  
Tyson King, Texas  
Kivusama Mays, North Carolina  
Kory Minor, Notre Dame

Keith Mitchell, Texas A&M  
Pete Monty, Wisconsin  
Marcellus Mostella, Auburn  
Shay Muirbrook, BYU  
Deshone Myles, Nevada  
Dar Nguyen, Texas A&M  
Chike Okefor, Purdue  
Dee Osborne, Miami (Ohio)  
Tyrell Peters, Oklahoma  
Antwaune Ponds, Syracuse  
Jabar Robinson, Indiana  
Ron Rogers, Georgia Tech  
Dwayne Rudd, Alabama  
Brandon Semones, Virginia Tech  
Jamie Sharper, Virginia  
Mark Smith, Arkansas  
Allen Stansberry, LSU  
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## DEFENSIVE BACKS



### Kevin Abrams, Syracuse

Abrams is coming off one of the best seasons by a Syracuse defensive back in recent years: six interceptions, 18 pass breakups, 47 tackles. He added two interceptions in the 41-0 Gator Bowl rout of Clemson. Led the Big East from his cornerback spot in interceptions and pass breakups. Played wide receiver and cornerback and returned kickoffs in high school.

### Chris Canty, Kansas State

Considered the nation's top cornerback after being one of three finalists for the Jim Thorpe Award as a 1995 sophomore. Canty was a consensus All-American, the first

Kansas State sophomore to earn first-team All-American honors. He tied for the national lead with a school-record eight interceptions, two of which he returned for touchdowns. NFL Draft Report named him its National Defensive Underclassman of the Year, which excludes fourth- and fifth-year players. Lined up in man coverage for 335 snaps and allowed only 13 completed passes.

### Clarence Thompson, Michigan

Thompson teams with Charles Woodson to give Michigan one of its best cornerback tandems in some time. Thompson switched to cornerback last year after two seasons at strong safety and played strong safety against Ohio State, contributing 10 tackles (including a sack for an 11-yard loss) and a pass deflection. Finished third on the team with 76 tackles, including four sacks, five other tackles for losses and eight pass breakups.

### Lawrence Wright, Florida

A strong safety who might see some action at outside linebacker, Wright started every game last year — nine at strong safety, three at nickel back. He led the team with 109 tackles and 25 defensive "big plays," including five forced fumbles and eight pass breakups. Tied for the team lead with three interceptions. Started at strong safety most of 1994. All-Southeastern Conference pick last season.

Second Team — Ronde Barber, Virginia; Nathan Perryman, Georgia Tech; Shawn Springs, Ohio State; Bryant Westbrook, Texas

Third Team — Sean Andrews, Navy; Kevin Jackson, Alabama; Kenny Wheaton, Oregon; Brian Miller, Penn State

## Best of the Rest

### Strong Safeties

Eric Collier, Northwestern  
Martavious Houston, Auburn  
Sammy Knight, USC  
Damon Mason, SW Louisiana

Mike Minter, Nebraska  
Duane Stewart, Washington State  
Omar Stoutmire, Fresno State  
Ben Washington, South Carolina

### Free Safeties

Omar Brown, North Carolina  
Jeremy Bunch, Tulsa  
Chris Carter, Texas  
DeMontie Cross, Missouri  
Donovin Darius, Syracuse  
Mitchell Freedman, Arizona State  
Sam Garnes, Cincinnati  
Cory Gilliard, Ball State  
Torrian Gray, Virginia Tech

Corey Johnson, Georgia  
Brian Kelly, USC  
Harold Lusk, Utah  
Eddie Sampson, BYU  
Mario Smith, Kansas State  
Eric Warfield, Nebraska  
Vann Washington, West Virginia  
Shaun Williams, UCLA  
Quincy Wright, Central Michigan

### Cornerbacks

Taje Allen, Texas  
Michael Booker, Nebraska  
Byron Capers, Florida State  
Shad Criss, Missouri  
Warrick Franklin, Rice  
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Anthone Lott, Florida  
Sam Madison, Louisville  
Dexter McCleon, Clemson  
Daylon McCutcheon, USC  
R.W. McQuarters, Oklahoma St.  
Tim McTyer, BYU  
Denorse Mosley, Pittsburgh  
Ricky Parker, San Diego State  
Daryl Porter, Boston College  
Chad Scott, Maryland  
Jason Simmons, Arizona State  
Deshea Townsend, Alabama  
Mark Williams, Oregon State  
Charles Woodson, Michigan

## PLACEKICKERS

### Michael Reeder, TCU

Reeder was the nation's top placekicker and a consensus All-American in 1995, when he made 23-of-25 field-goal attempts and won the Lou Groza Award. His only misses were from 47 and 48 yards, and his 92 percent success rate was among the best in NCAA history. Has converted 34-of-40 field goals in two seasons, including 7-of-10 between 40-49 yards, 12-of-14 between 30-39 yards and 13-of-13 under 30 yards. A perfect 52-of-52 on PATs. A Groza Award finalist in 1994.

Second Team —

Jeff Hall, Tennessee

Third Team — Phil Dawson, Texas



## Best of the Rest

Adam Abrams, USC  
Jeremy Alexander, Oklahoma  
Scott Bentley, Florida State  
Brett Conway, Penn State  
Chris Ferencik, Pittsburgh  
Joe Furlow, San Jose State  
Rafael Garcia, Virginia  
Remy Hamilton, Michigan

Micah Knorr, Utah State  
Ryan Longwell, California  
Reed Morton, South Carolina  
Robert Nycz, Arizona State  
Daniel Pulsipher, Utah  
Eric Richards, Cincinnati  
Cory Wedel, Wyoming

## PUNTERS

### Brad Maynard, Ball State

He led the nation in 1995 with a school-record 46.5-yard average, breaking his own mark of 45.5 set in 1994. Maynard's career average is 43.7 yards on 183 punts, giving him a shot at the NCAA record (between 200-249 kicks) of 44.7 by Ray Guy of Southern Mississippi. With Maynard providing the impetus, Ball State has led the nation in net punting the last two years, a statistic coaches favor more than punting average. Maynard also placed five punts inside the opponent's 5-yard line, nine inside the 10 and 31 inside the 20.

Second Team — Will Brice, Virginia

Third Team — Chad Kessler, LSU



## Best of the Rest

Paul Burton, Northwestern  
Nate Cochran, Pittsburgh  
Nick Gallery, Iowa  
Marc Harris, Iowa State  
Dax Langley, Georgia  
Sean Liss, Florida State

Bill Marinangel, Vanderbilt  
Matt Peyton, Arizona  
Noel Prefontaine, San Diego State  
Sean Reali, Syracuse  
Tucker Phillips, Rice

## KICKOFF RETURNERS

### Robert Tate, Cincinnati

Tate is one of the nation's most versatile players as a wide receiver, kick-off returner and punt returner. He was named Conference USA's Offensive and Special Teams Player of the Year after leading the nation in kick-off returns (34.3-yard average), averaging 8.6 on punt returns and catching 46 passes for 895 yards. He has bettered 4.4 seconds in the 40-yard dash and begins his senior season with a 29.7-yard kickoff return average, fourth-best in NCAA history. Returned his final kickoff of 1995 for an 88-yard touchdown against Tulsa. Set a school record with 333 all-purpose yards against Kansas.

Second Team — Damon Dunn, Stanford

Third Team — Emmett Mosley, Notre Dame

## Best of the Rest

Mike Adams, Texas  
Reidel Anthony, Florida  
Jerod Douglas, Baylor  
Tim Dwight, Iowa  
Marlon Evans, Stanford

Jim McElroy, UCLA  
R.W. McQuarters, Oklahoma St.  
Kio Sanford, Kentucky  
Aaron Stecker, Wisconsin  
Ron Thomas, Army

Dwayne Harris, Toledo  
Derrick Mason, Michigan State  
Silas Massey, Central Michigan

Jim Turner, Syracuse  
Antwuan Wyatt, Clemson

## PUNT RETURNERS

### James Dye, BYU

Dye led the nation a year ago in punt returns with a 21.9-yard average on 20 runbacks and was the Western Athletic Conference Special Teams Player of the Year. He returned 11 kickoffs for a 25.1-yard average and also played cornerback, starting one late-season game. Dye is switching to wide receiver this year. Recorded an 84-yard punt return for a touchdown against San Diego State and a 90-yarder against Wyoming. Tulsa coach Dave Rader calls Dye "the best in the country, perhaps the best I've ever seen."

Second Team — Paul Guidry, UCLA

Third Team — Brian Roberson, Fresno State

## Best of the Rest

Reidel Anthony, Florida  
Tremayne Banks, Miami (O.)  
Na'il Benjamin, California  
Tim Dwight, Iowa  
Dee Feaster, Florida State  
Mike Fullman, Nebraska  
Rodney Heath, Minnesota  
Dean Jackson, Louisiana Tech  
Dane Johnson, Texas Tech

Derrick Mason, Michigan State  
Brian Musso, Northwestern  
Nathan Perryman, Georgia Tech  
Steve Rosga, Colorado  
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# Danny Wuerffel



## Shaken, but not Stirred

by CHRIS HARRY  
*The Tampa Tribune*

It happened once.

Danny Wuerffel actually lost his composure as a Gator. The date: Sept. 11, 1993. The place: Commonwealth Stadium, Lexington, Ky. The moment: One of the most pivotal and telling in University of Florida football history.

Eight seconds remained. The Gators were down 20-17 to the underdog Wildcats. Third and 10 from the Kentucky 28. It didn't look good for the Gators.

But, for some reason, Kentucky let an unknown walk-on named Chris Doering dash uncovered through the gut of its secondary. And the instant his pass dropped into Doering's hands for the improbable game-winner, Wuerffel sprinted wildly toward the end zone — for about 15 yards — before remembering who he was and what he was about.

He dropped to his knees and prayed.

Foreshadow at its finest.

Wuerffel was a freshman playing in just his second college football game, but so much of the player — the person — was revealed on that clear night in Bluegrass country. A rookie playing on the road who has thrown three interceptions has every reason to roll over and die. But that pass, and several leading up to it, gave Wuerffel and the Gators life in what turned out to be the first of three straight Southeastern Conference championship seasons.

"It all really began for me that night at Kentucky," Wuerffel says. "That game, the way it ended, just reinforced so many things about how I go about my business."

Businesslike, that's how. Wuerffel would have blended in just fine with a three-piece suit and briefcase complementing his shoulder pads during a record-setting 1995 season. With machine-like precision, he ignited one of the nation's most combustible offenses, guiding it to spectacular and explosive scoring outbursts, often in the most pressure-packed situations.

And when it was time to celebrate, Wuerffel would merely pump a fist, then elegantly put his hands together in thanks.

No longer a rookie, he conceded only that modicum of self-expression.

"I try to be very consistent in my life and on the football field," says Wuerffel, the son of an Air Force chaplain. "I try not to get too up or too down. If things are going well, you can't lose sight of what still needs to be done. If things aren't going well, you have to keep pushing, keep trying and keep thinking they'll eventually work out."

Not difficult words to say, but most difficult to believe in the heat of the moment, with the world — more specifically, the opponent — furiously closing in around you. Just like that night in Kentucky, which Wuerffel eventually weathered. Just like he weathered a two-year quarterback controversy with disgruntled Terry Dean that would've torn lesser players and teams asunder. Just like he righted the five stinging setbacks of the two prior seasons — a pair of defeats and a tie to rival

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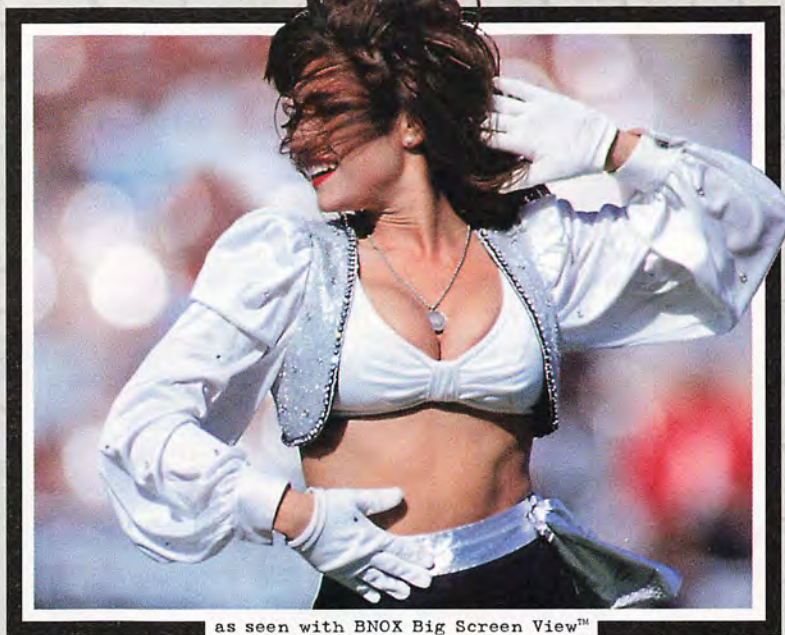
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Florida State, two crushing losses against Auburn — by performing last season at a level unmatched by any other quarterback in NCAA history.

"He might not be the best-looking guy out there throwing during practice," says coach Steve Spurrier, "but for some reason Danny gets into the games and plays almost perfectly. He's an amazing and outstanding young man."

"Danny is a great football player and an even better person," says Doering, Wuerffel's best friend and a sixth-round choice of the Jacksonville Jaguars in the recent pro draft. "I can't imagine any player doing more and meaning

more to his team than Danny meant to us."

In '95, Wuerffel completed 210-of-325 passes for a school-record 3,266 yards and SEC-record 35 touchdowns, with just 10 interceptions. His pass efficiency rating of 178.4 broke an NCAA record held for 15 years by Brigham Young's Jim McMahon.

Even more impressive than those final numbers was the fact that Wuerffel, who finished third in the '95 Heisman Trophy balloting, was at his best in Florida's biggest games. Against Top 10 opponents Tennessee, Auburn and Florida State, he averaged more than 401 yards passing and threw

14 touchdowns, each time rallying the Gators to victory.

"He's the perfect teammate," says departed offensive tackle Jason Odom, a fourth-round draft pick of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. "Nothing, I mean nothing, fazes him. If something goes wrong, he doesn't let it affect him to the point of interfering with the team's goal — which is to win."

Wuerffel played almost flawlessly in season-making — or breaking — games. His uncanny ability to think about the good plays that *can* happen rather than the bad ones that *did* was as instrumental in his success as his deft touch and marvelous knack for reading defenses and audibling into the right plays.

After falling behind 30-14 against Peyton Manning and the Tennessee Volunteers, Wuerffel led the Gators to 48 unanswered points, finishing with 381 yards passing and six touchdowns in a 62-37 win. On the road at Auburn, after starting 1-for-9 with a fumble returned for a touchdown, an interception and 10-0 deficit, Wuerffel helped produce 28 straight points en route to a 49-38 victory, totaling 380 yards and four TDs along the way.

And against Florida State, in arguably the most significant game in Gators history, Wuerffel threw for 443 yards and four touchdowns in a 35-24 win that cleared a path for a berth in the school's first national-championship game.

Yet, given the astonishingly lopsided outcome of Florida's title game with Nebraska in the Fiesta Bowl — Cornhuskers 62, Gators 24 — the skeptics who view Spurrier-schooled quarterbacks as merely products of a well-oiled system will be the first to dismiss Wuerffel's record-setting 1995 season.

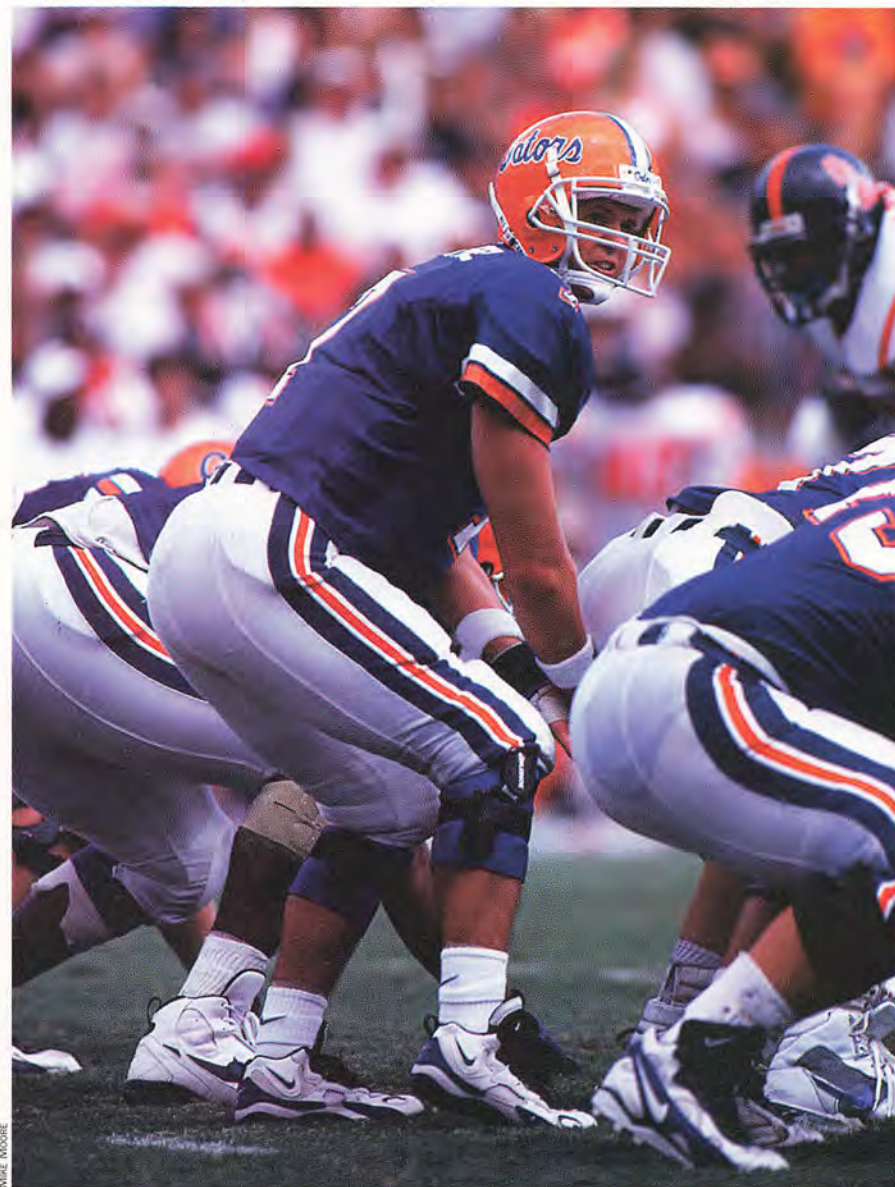
Wuerffel is more than willing to accept whatever criticism comes his way. As always, he answers to far higher authority.

"I've always agreed with that old saying about being able to look yourself in the mirror. If you can say, 'I gave it all I had,' then you can live with yourself," says Wuerffel, who threw three interceptions and was sacked seven times in the Nebraska drubbing. "Obviously, when I look back on the game, there were many things I could've done better, decisions I could've made that might have helped us. But at the time of the game, I believe I was as prepared as I could be.

"And in life, I just feel that God calls on us to be faithful — not necessarily successful. I'm not into perception and how other people see things. I just do the best I can. Then, at night, when I go to bed and say my prayers, as long as I can look up to the heavenly Father and tell him I did my best, then I can sleep contently. I mean, if you let others dictate how you feel, you're going to be pretty miserable your whole life."

So don't look for Wuerffel to anguish over what might have been for last season. His sights will be firmly set on what can be in 1996.

"Danny won't let what happened in the bowl game affect anything about his preparation or play. That's not him at all," says senior center Jeff Mitchell. "The rest of us might get frustrated or upset at times, but Danny's always the same. He's



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calm and cool whether we're up 30 points or down 30 points. He just exudes confidence."

And humility.

"Nothing that I do is possible without the help of my teammates," Wuerffel says. "Any individual accomplishments or recognition is nice, but our team goals are far more important."

Such words seemed to ring truer than ever last December when, despite his record-shattering campaign, the league coaches who bore the brunt of Wuerffel's bull's-eye passes voted Manning as their first-team All-SEC quarterback.

"What can I say?" Wuerffel asks. "Peyton's a great quarterback."

He says all the right things, yet Florida offensive line coach Jimmy Ray Stephens, who coached Wuerffel as a prep star and state-championship quarterback at Fort Walton Beach (Fla.) High, knows Wuerffel to be the genuine article, not someone versed in diplomacy.

"I've seen a lot of physically talented derelicts who never achieved anything. What Danny is as a person is what makes him a player. He is as quality a character and individual as I've ever been associated with as a coach," Stephens says. "There's just nothing phony about him. He's the kind of kid you live your whole life hoping your daughter can one day marry. He's sincere, polite, trustworthy, helpful — pretty much all the things they teach you in the Boy Scouts."

Wuerffel earned life's merit badges bouncing from Air Force base to Air Force base. By the time he was 16, he had lived in Pensacola, Fla.; Myrtle Beach, S.C.; Madrid, Spain; Lincoln, Neb.; Colorado Springs, Colo.; and Fort Walton Beach. As a chaplain's son, Wuerffel was active in the church but, like most kids, had his moments of rambunctiousness.

His parents recall a time in Spain when 6-year-old Danny would take empty bottles to the store for deposit money, only to be bullied by some older kids. Danny, well-versed in turning the other cheek, confronted his folks with the problem. They, in turn, gave him permission to defend himself, if necessary.

"The next time," Lt. Col. Jon Wuerffel says, "we caught him leaving the house with a baseball bat."

In fourth grade, while living in Nebraska, young Danny got one of his first lessons in the importance of composure while playing in the finals of a junior racquetball tournament. The format was best-of-three, though extra points could be earned with decisive victories in games.

"I beat the guy the first game 15-14," Wuerffel remembers. "Then, in the second game, there was a bad call at 4-4 and I got really frustrated. I didn't show up the rest of the game and he beat me 15-4."

Wuerffel took the third game 11-8.

"I thought I'd won the championship, but when they added up all the extra points he'd beaten me 57-56," Wuerffel says. "There you go. Lesson learned."

Once in control of those competitive fires, Wuerffel rode a mastery of his emotions through the difficult situations with Dean in 1993 and '94 and a hard charge by promising backup Eric Kresser during the summer of '95. Instead of ago-

nizing over the team's quarterback wealth, he welcomed it.

"I've never looked at another player and said, 'I have to be better than him,'" Wuerffel says. "I look at myself and say, 'I have to be better, period.'"

If Wuerffel sounds too good to be true, it might be because he is. Aside from his on-field heroics, Wuerffel is also a three-time Academic All-SEC selection who speaks frequently at Gainesville schools, churches and civic-group functions, and he is an officer in the university's Fellowship of Christian Athletes program.

His talents as an entertainer are not confined to athletics, either. Wuerffel's high school coach remembers finding that out the first time the Fort Walton Beach team went to secluded Camp Koinonia, deep in the Florida panhandle, for its annual two weeks of preseason football boot

camp. At night, the team held meetings at the chapel, where Wuerffel would arrive early — not to study plays, but to play the piano.

"By the end of camp, he had the entire squad in there every night, swaying, clapping and singing songs like 'Amazing Grace' and 'Lean On Me,' like some revival meeting," Stephens says. "That really showed me the type of person he was, the type of leader he was."

That person, that leader, that football player, showed up in 1995 undaunted by the challenges that faced a team smothered in expectations. Danny Wuerffel could have bowed under the pressure. Instead, he excelled and led the Gators to their finest season.

And then he dropped — to a knee, of course.

"There's my faith, my family, then everything else," Wuerffel says. "My priorities will never change." **A**

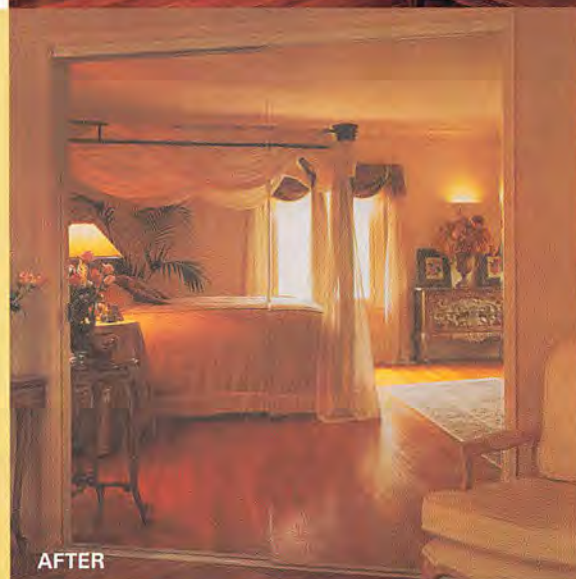
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# the Pancake Man

by DICK FENLON

**W**hen asked to imagine himself on the other side of the ball, as a defensive lineman looking into the eyes of the renowned Pancake Man, Ohio State offensive tackle Orlando Pace wonders what ploy, what diversion, what marvelous feat of athleticism would be needed to avoid being flattened by the best interior offensive lineman in the country.

"If I'm across from me," he says, "I'm thinking, do I want to bull rush? Or maybe fake him? It's hard to analyze. Lining up against me? That would be a challenge, definitely."

Pace, a 6-6, 330-pounder who looks as big without shoulder pads as he does with them (maybe they came with the body, installed at the factory, right off the assembly line), speaks so softly that you have to lean close to hear him.

"Off the field I am calm," the very large man whispers. "On the field I have a little different demeanor. When I go out to play, I try to kill them (opposing defenders). It's the aggression you have to take with you when you play big-time football."

Pace plays football so well that the selectors for the Lombardi Award (presented to the outstanding college lineman) passed over worthy upperclassmen to give the award to an offensive tackle just two years off the high school field in Sandusky, Ohio. That move so surprised the first sophomore to win the Lombardi in its 26-year history that he had to revise his own tentative awards schedule.

"Just before they awarded the Lombardi, they announced the Outland (outstanding interior lineman)," says Pace, "and I didn't win that one



**Orlando sets the pace for the potent Buckeye scoring machine.**

(it went to UCLA senior offensive tackle Jonathan Ogden). So I'm sitting at the awards banquet real relaxed. And I'm thinking, 'Well, if (Ogden wins the Lombardi, too), I can win it next year, and the year after that.' When they called my name, it really shocked me. It means a lot to me. It shows me where I stand among linemen. It tells me I did something in history."

So maybe there'll be a repeat, or even a threepeat, although one certainly wouldn't want to bet on that, not with the scouts from the NFL lusting after him the way a pack of dogs might hunger for 330 pounds of fresh liver.



Or maybe he'll make a run at the Heisman Trophy, which no interior offensive lineman, being perforce faceless, has ever won.

OK, so the odds on that are off the board. So what? As Pace says, "I can say I've got a piece of Eddie George's."

Believe it. Because without Pace's pancaking, there would have been no Heisman for Ohio State's senior tailback last season. George ran past the opposition, both on the field and in the balloting, but he wasn't alone. Much of the time, it was Pace opening the way. Or setting the pace. In a 41-3 win over Illinois, George rushed for a school-record 314 yards. Not coincidentally, in that game Pace had 10 pancake blocks.

But ask Joe Hollis, Ohio State's offensive coordinator, if he can come up with the definitive Pace play or series or game, and he can't do it. He doesn't point to anything that happened in the Illinois game or any other game in Pace's two seasons as a starter. Instead, he shakes his head.

"If you ask me about Orlando Pace, I wouldn't say, for instance, let's have a look at the Notre Dame game. I'd tell you to go in and pick out a game. You wouldn't be in there very long. The other day, the coaches from Eastern Kentucky came to visit, and we were looking at the Iowa film. There's (backup tailback) Pepe Pearson going 50 or 60 yards on a sweep to the 2. But what catches your eye when you see this 5-11, 195-pound tailback going up the hash is this huge tackle matching him stride for stride."

What did the visiting coaches have say about that? "They were amazed," according to Hollis.

Ohio State's staff has been amazed ever since watching its first film of Pace as a high school junior. That season (1992), 6-5, 315-pound Korey Stringer was making his own mark as a Buckeye offensive tackle, starting in six straight games before being injured and earning Big Ten Freshman of the Year honors. The next two years, Stringer was an All-American. After his junior season, he opted for the NFL and was a first-round selection, 24th overall, by the Minnesota Vikings. The chances of finding another talent like him seemed implausible.

And yet, says Hollis, "I thought immediately that he looks like another Korey Stringer. By the time Stringer was a high school senior, there was a unanimous thought among the OSU staff: 'If we can get him to come to Ohio State, we project him as a starter his first year.'"

Pace, athletic enough despite his

girth to start and average 18 points for a Sandusky High basketball team that went to the regional semifinals before losing in Ohio's big-school finale, played the usual games in keeping football recruiters out of his hair.

"I'd answer the phone and tell them I wasn't home," he says. "It was difficult. I'd be talking to one coach and I'd have a call waiting, and I'd have to make a choice right there."

But the most important choice was fairly easy.

"I had it narrowed down to Ohio State or Michigan pretty early," he says, "and one reason I came to Ohio State was Korey. I came in the summer and he kind of took me under his wing.

What better thing for a young player to do but play under a great player the first year? I learned a lot from him. It was a great thing for me."

But Pace didn't play under him, he played on the same starting unit with him. He became the first freshman to start an entire season for Ohio State, 13 games and 322 minutes, third-highest among offensive players.

"We started with Fresno State (in the Kickoff Classic)," says Pace, "and once I got myself relaxed, it was just like an ordinary game, except that the guys were bigger and stronger. What you've got to do, I found, is uplift your level to their level."

It's been a totally uplifting experience. Pace followed in Stringer's footsteps in 1994, becoming the Big Ten's Freshman of the Year, and again last year as he was named a unanimous All-American.

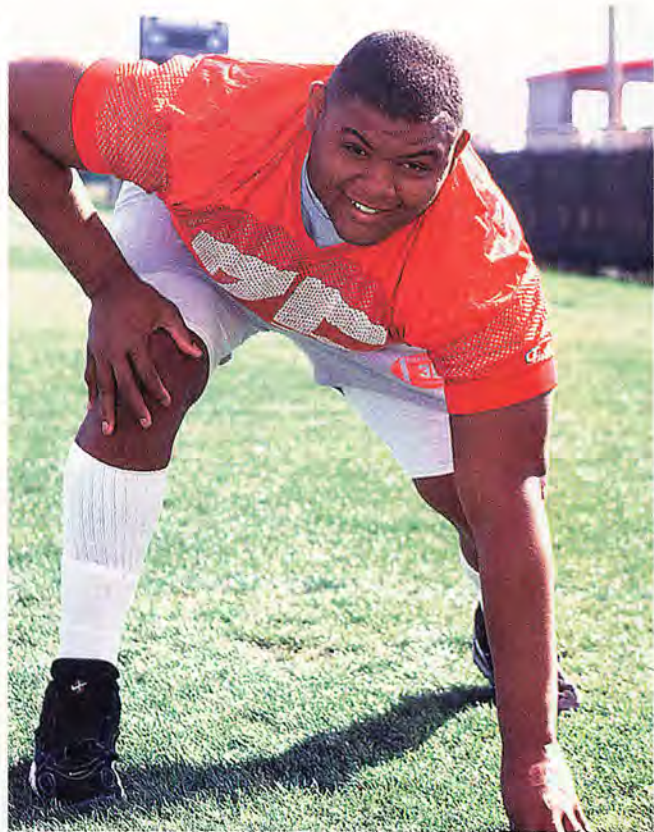
Another Buckeye offensive tackle blazed an even greater trail in 1973. That year, John Hicks won both the Lombardi and Outland trophies and finished second to Penn State's John Cappelletti in the run for the Heisman.

As far as Pace is concerned, as the old saying goes, here's a man who was big when he was still little. By the time he was in junior high school, Pace stood 6-4 and weighed 275 pounds. Back then, he thought he'd grow up to be a basketball player. But by the time he was starting on the line for Sandusky as a high school sophomore, he knew that football would be his route to fame. And while some might equate working in the trenches with hard labor, he has a refreshing outlook.

"Football is fun," he says. "Right now it's to a point that it's extremely fun. During camp you might say to yourself, 'Boy, I hate football.' But once the game starts and you're out in front of 90,000-plus people doing something you like, it's one of the greatest feelings in the world."

Maybe it's that exuberance, his passion for what he does, that distinguishes this potentially biggest of all big Buckeyes.

"All of the things keep falling into place for Orlando," says Hollis. "It's just like a flower that grows and grows and grows. It's hard for anybody to handle him, because he plays so much on the edge of formations and it's difficult to put people on him. He is a dominating player. More than that, he's a recognized dominating player. It's easy to go to a game and recognize that in a tailback. But to have gained that much respect and recognition in just two seasons playing where he does, that's just phenomenal." ■



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# Mirror, Mirror

and day out, Matt is just always getting the job done. It might not be technically sound. We even joke about it. It's all wrong right up to the point where he makes the play. And then we say, 'Nice tackle.' It's weird. He can grade out to zero percent and have the best game he ever played, just because that's the way Matt plays."

**Matt on Mike:** "Mike's just a great athlete. Strength. Power. Quickness. Sometimes he can take a tackle back into the quarterback. The main thing is, he's always got his motor running, play after play after play. You can catch a lot of linemen on that. Sooner or later, they're going to take a play off."



**P**ace is not the only riddle that opponents of the Buckeyes are being asked to solve this season. He is one of a kind. On the other hand, senior defensive ends Mike Vrabel and Matt Finkes are a matched pair, destined to march off to the memory bank joined not by the umbilical but by the circumstantial and the statistical.

On one side there's Finkes, 6-2, 258, from Piqua, Ohio. On the other side there's Vrabel, 6-4, 255, from Akron, Ohio. They came in together, they'll go out together. They met for the first time in the Ohio North-South High School All-Star Game.

"It wasn't as if we were close then," says Vrabel. "We just played the same position." But they've been inseparable, as teammates and as friends, since their first college preseason camp.

Mirror, mirror, on the wall . . .

"Anything I've been through, Matt's been through," says Vrabel. "That's because we came in at the same time, we didn't get redshirted, we played, we both started as sophomores and had successful years, and then we came back as juniors and had successful years. It's just kind of funny,

but anything that's ever happened to me has happened to Matt, and vice versa."

Far the worst, though, has happened to assorted Buckeye opponents.

**Item:** Over three seasons, Finkes, who plays the weak side, away from the tight end, has been in on 151 tackles, including 43 for losses totaling 188 yards.

**Mirror item:** Over three seasons, Vrabel, who plays the strong side, has been in on 140 tackles, including 29 for losses totaling 192 yards.

**Item:** In 1994, Finkes set an Ohio State season record with 20 tackles for losses.

**Mirror item:** Before the ink was dry, Vrabel tied it.

**Cracked mirror item:** Last season, Vrabel made 26 tackles for losses (tops in the Big Ten), breaking the shared record.

This year . . . well, we'll wait and see.

**Mike on Matt:** "The thing about Matt is that you look at him, think that he's undersized and figure that he doesn't have a chance. You know he's giving up 60 or 70 pounds, and when he lines up right on the tackle, you figure the tackle is going to blow him right off the ball. But day in

"It's true that Mike is more of a physical type of end and Matt more of a finesse type," Bill Conley, who coaches the Ohio State defensive ends, says of his star pupils. "But otherwise, in terms of responsibilities and all those things, they are very similar."

Mirror, mirror on the wall . . .

**Conley:** "Sometimes, what a team will do is start the tight end on one side and then shift him over to the other side, so they both have to work against the tight end. And sometimes, in passing situations, we'll line them up next to each other so they can't double-team them."

**Mike:** "There's not much more we can learn about being defensive ends. It's not like we're the quarterback."

**Matt:** "Most things you learn you pick up from watching film. There's only so many things you can do. You can't invent a new move over the course of a year."

**Mike:** "I second that."

Mirror images, bookends on the line of scrimmage. Because of them, and the Pace-setter on Ohio State's offensive line, the Buckeyes will be formidable up front. **A**





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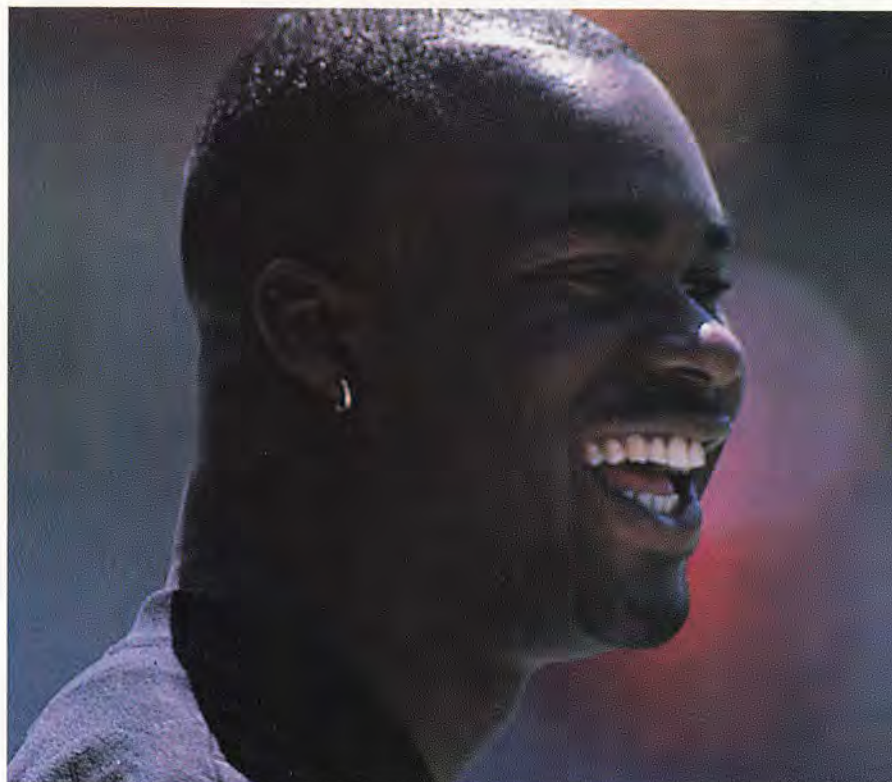
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## Nebraska's Holy Terror

by MIKE BABCOCK

**O**ne play, in particular, in the Fiesta Bowl game that brought Nebraska a second consecutive national collegiate football championship will be locked forever in Terrell Farley's memory.

"I still think about it," he says. "I could be 85 years old and I'll still remember dropping that pass."

Florida, armed with a complex passing offense, came out throwing, entirely as expected. On the first play from scrimmage, Gator quarterback Danny Wuerffel took a three-step drop and completed a pass to Chris Doering for a 9-yard gain. On second down, Wuerffel again made a quick drop and threw to his right. Weak-side linebacker Farley reacted, leaped and deflected the pass, reaching for the ball as it fell.

"If I had caught it — and I should have — I

would have scored," says Farley, who returned two of his three regular-season interceptions for touchdowns. "Dropping that interception still shakes me up. There was just no reason to drop it."

Five months earlier, Farley, eager to prove that he could play for Nebraska, was a transfer from Independence (Kan.) Community College who worried that he would have to sit out a redshirt season.

"When you come out of a junior college and don't get in a spring of football, it generally takes five or six games to adjust to what's going on around you," says Nebraska coach Tom Osborne. In the case of Farley, however, "We liked his athleticism from Day One."

In February 1995, after a news conference to announce Nebraska's scholarship recruits on the

day letters of intent can be signed, Osborne invited the press to see film clips of Cornhuskers-to-be, as he does every year.

"Watch this guy run," said defensive coordinator Charlie McBride as a grainy image flickered on the screen. A player was racing across the field to tackle a ball carrier on a play going away from him. The tackler was Farley.

"That fellow is ready to play immediately," said McBride.

He was right.

In August, though, Farley, going into the season opener at Oklahoma State, thought of himself as "a nobody" at Nebraska.

He was wrong.

Farley saw his first action early in the second quarter. On his second play, he intercepted a pass and returned it 29 yards for a touchdown, the Cornhuskers' second in what would be a 64-21 victory.

It was for such plays that Farley, whose physical dimensions — he's 6-1, 205 pounds — are more appropriate for a strong safety than a linebacker, was recruited.

"Without question, he's by far the best athlete we've had at linebacker since I've been here," says McBride. "He's a tremendously explosive player, an outstanding blitzer. He can make the big play. He could be a defensive back in a minute because of his speed."

Two or three seasons ago, Nebraska would have recruited Farley as a strong safety, or it wouldn't have recruited him at all. Until the Cornhuskers switched their basic defensive alignment from a 5-2 to a 4-3 during spring practice in 1993, they had little interest in linebackers his size, except for situational substitutions.

The evolution of Nebraska's defense is a reflection of that change in philosophy. The Cornhuskers, like everyone else, realized the importance of speed in defending against the sophisticated, pass-oriented offenses favored by successful, warm-weather programs during the 1990s. Nebraska has regularly faced such offenses in bowl games without success until recently.

Nebraska suffered through seven consecutive postseason losses, beginning with the 1988 Fiesta Bowl. Six of those losses were against either Florida State or Miami, programs with well-deserved reputations for throwing the ball. The other defeat was against Georgia Tech in the 1991 Citrus Bowl, a game often cited as a turning point for Osborne's program.

Nebraska lost to Georgia Tech 45-21 just over a month after being beaten by Oklahoma 45-10 in the final game of a 9-2 regular season. Colorado, the 1990 Associated Press national champion, also defeated the Cornhuskers, 27-12 in Lincoln, giving them three losses in their last four games. Nebraska was 24th in the final AP poll for 1990, the lowest finish during Osborne's 23 seasons as head coach.

The national respect Nebraska had enjoyed since the early 1960s, when Bob Devaney arrived



from Wyoming to build national championship teams in 1970 and 1971, was eroding. In 1991, Washington gained 618 yards in a 36-21 victory against Nebraska in Lincoln, then the Cornhuskers were shut out by Miami in the Orange Bowl game 22-0. It was the first time an Osborne team had been held scoreless.

The Washington loss underscored the need for more speed on defense. The defeat by Miami pointed up the importance of speed on offense. Nebraska was beginning to emphasize both in its recruiting.

The principles on which Nebraska's defense is now based were first incorporated in a package that included an additional defensive back inserted in apparent passing situations. The concern was that when Nebraska substituted players whose skills were more suited to defending the pass, it would be more vulnerable to the run. But that wasn't as much of a problem as McBride had first imagined.

Instead of reading and reacting, Nebraska's defense began attacking. The schemes were simplified, allowing defenders to be more aggressive. Speed was a priority, and not just in the secondary, where cornerbacks had to be adept at covering receivers man-to-man. Occasionally, size had to be sacrificed for speed. Players switched positions to get more speed on the field.

The benefits of a more aggressive, quicker defense were apparent before the makeover was complete. Everyone noticed the change in 1993, when the Cornhuskers went 11-0 during the regular season and came within a missed 45-yard field goal, with one second remaining, of the national championship. Heavily favored Florida State won the 1994 Orange Bowl game 18-16. Nebraska hasn't lost since that night 25 games ago.

Farley was a perfect fit in Nebraska's new system. He arrived in Lincoln in July 1995 after completing a degree at Independence (Kan.) Community College during a summer session, to begin preparing for his first season as a Cornhusker.

Tyrone Williams, a senior cornerback last season, "was the first friend I made," Farley says. "I asked him: 'How can I play right away?' He told me I had to be patient. But I'm not patient when it comes to football."

Although Farley admits, "There was no talk of redshirting me," the possibility concerned him.

Farley followed his auspicious debut at Oklahoma State by making six tackles, including two sacks, in a 50-10 victory against Michigan State. He scored his second touchdown in the third game of the season, against Arizona State, on a 21-yard interception return. He blocked a punt in the Washington State game, and he blocked another out of the end zone for a safety the next week against Missouri.

Farley blocked 15 kicks (nine punts and six field goals) during his sophomore season at Independence, evidence not only of his quickness but also of his uncanny ability to anticipate. He blocked 19 kicks during his senior year at Kendrick High School in Columbus, Ga., and seven as a junior college freshman.

"Somehow, he gets in the right place at the right time," Osborne says.

Independence Community College eventually proved to be the right place at the right time for Farley despite some question about that during his first winter in southeastern Kansas.

"We were getting ready for practice one day," Farley says. "I looked outside and it was snowing, so I said to the coach, 'I'm not going out in that. Let's stay inside today.'"

Farley's request was ignored, of course, and he joined his teammates in the snow. When he made his first tackle, however, rolling in the snow, "I almost got up and ran to the dorms."

Farley had signed a letter of intent with Arkansas State out of high school, because the schools in which he was most interested, Alabama and Clemson, weren't immediately interested in him.



**Farley wasted little time in distinguishing himself as a Cornhusker. The speedy linebacker has few peers as a punt and kick blocker.**

Farley didn't meet NCAA freshman eligibility requirements and would have had to sit out his first year at a four-year school. He reconsidered playing football at Arkansas State, and with encouragement from Clemson, he ended up in Independence.

Clemson seemed to lose interest, says Farley, who turned his attention elsewhere after a successful freshman season. Texas A&M was among the first schools to recruit him aggressively. Farley and his roommate, defensive back Cecil Chambers, used to joke with each other when someone would call. They would tell one another that a coach was on the line.

"It's Coach Snyder of Kansas State for you," Chambers might say. And Farley would be fooled for an instant.

When Osborne called for the first time, during his sophomore season, Farley thought it was a prank. Chambers, who answered the phone, said, "It's for you. It's Tom Osborne."

"Coach Osborne?" Farley replied. "No way. Stop lying." Chambers wasn't lying.

Osborne told Farley that Nebraska was inter-

ested in him and that Turner Gill, an assistant coach, would be paying him a visit if the interest was mutual. It was. Farley was convinced he could play at Nebraska but he wondered if Nebraska was convinced.

"I asked Coach Gill about my size," says Farley. "He told me, 'We want guys who can run.'"

Farley could do that. In addition to playing football in high school, he ran on the track team.

Osborne has recruited fewer than two junior college players per year on average. Nebraska's 1983 Heisman Trophy winner, I-back Mike Rozier, spent one season at Coffeyville (Kan.) Community College at Nebraska's recommendation. Even after two seasons at Independence, Farley still had doubters.

"I was surprised that a lot of people tried to bring me down," he says. "They said to me, 'You're going to Nebraska? You might not play.' Indeed, in Nebraska's early drills last fall, Farley made numerous mistakes.

"I was messing up all the time," he says. Farley spent considerable time studying his playbook.

"He's very coachable," says McBride. "He picked up things faster than most junior college players do. He started directing traffic out there, which is what the 'WILL' (weak-side) linebacker has to do."

On the Monday after the Missouri game, Craig Bohl, Nebraska's inside linebackers coach, called Farley into his office and asked him to sit down. The "sit down" request bothered him, Farley says. He thought, "I must really be messing up. Quite the contrary. Bohl told him he had earned a black practice jersey, representing the first-team defense. As a member of the highly respected Blackshirts, he would start the next game against Kansas State.

"I didn't know anything about the Blackshirts until I saw a poster," says Farley.

"I'm giving it to you," Bohl told him. "I can take it away."

There was no need. Farley made 10 tackles in his first start.

Farley's promotion came after Ryan Terwilliger, the player he replaced in the starting lineup, took the team lead in tackles.

"This wasn't a change because Ryan wasn't doing the job," says Bohl. "The things Terrell did were a little bit special. He's got tremendous closing speed and can get to the quarterback faster than anyone else we have."

Farley finished the season as Nebraska's leading tackler with 62, including 27 unassisted. Among them were five sacks for 40 yards in losses. In the Fiesta Bowl, he had eight tackles, two of which were sacks of Wuerffel. Farley earned second-team All-America recognition from The Associated Press.

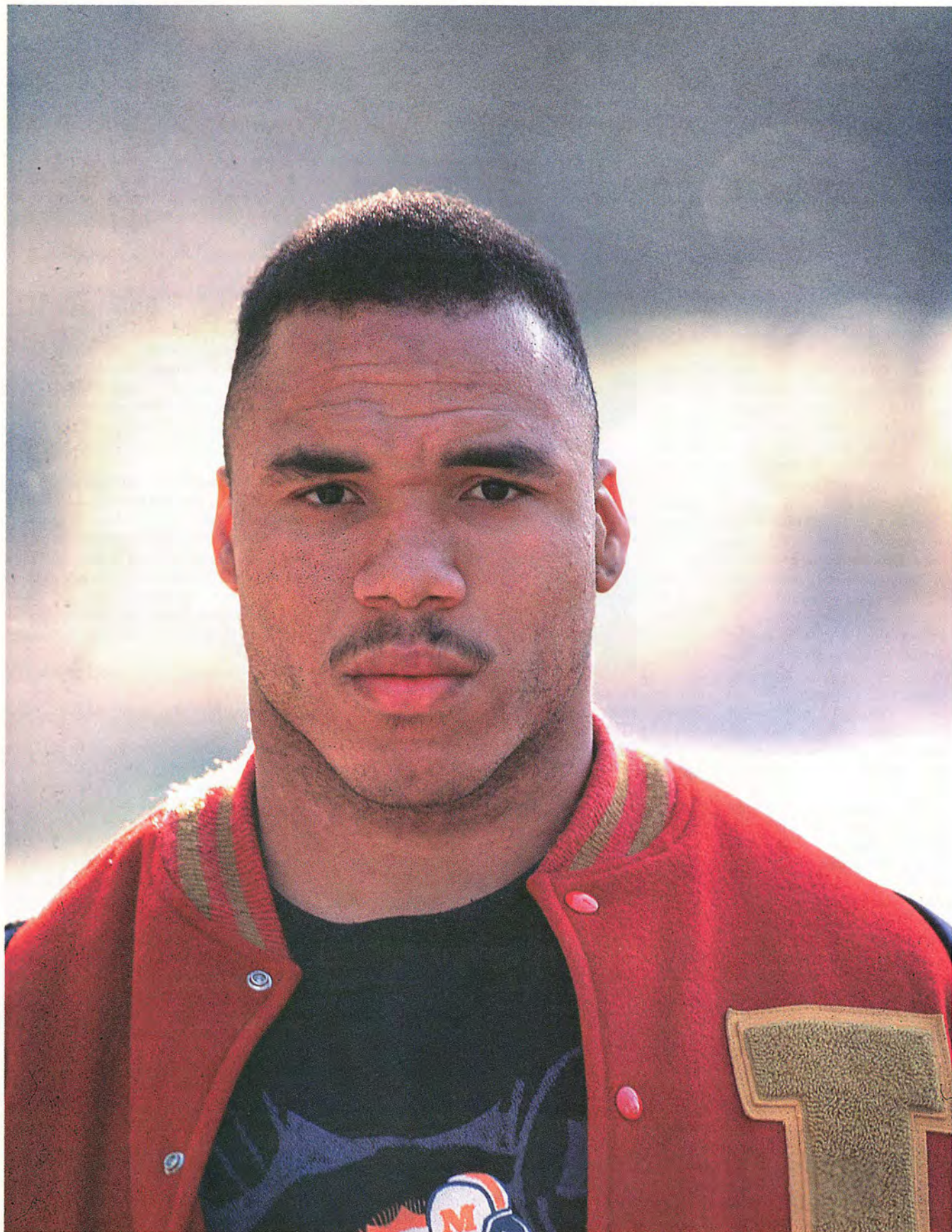
Prior to the start of spring practice this year, Nebraska coaches watched film highlights from 1995. McBride said they saw one highlight play after another by the linebacker wearing jersey No. 43.

"Look at No. 43!" McBride shouted after one play. After another: "Look what Farley does there!"

The veteran coach paused: "Whew!" **A**



# Troy Davis



GARY CULNANE



# Davis Mania at Iowa State

by MARK HANSEN  
*Des Moines Register*

**T**roy Davis doesn't cry himself to sleep anymore. When his head hits the pillow these days, he nods off with a wink and a smile.

Davis will be a junior at Iowa State this season. In all likelihood, he will be a happy, contented junior, a Heisman Trophy candidate who got his sophomore jinx out of the way during his first year in college.

The nation's leading rusher in 1995 spent his freshman year in Ames wondering whether he'd ever gain 200 yards in a season, much less a game. Davis carried the ball only 35 times as a rookie, but that wasn't the only problem. The team finished 0-10-1.

Davis struggled in school. He was homesick for family and friends in Miami. He wondered what in the world he was doing in a part of the country so unlike his native Florida.

Troy Davis was a transfer student — or worse, an academic casualty — waiting to happen.

"When I became the coach," says Dan McCarney, who was defensive coordinator at Wisconsin before coming to Iowa State, "he was in bad shape. He'd had a real bad fall semester."

Davis' father, William, remembers the despair in his son's voice during their frequent long-distance conversations.

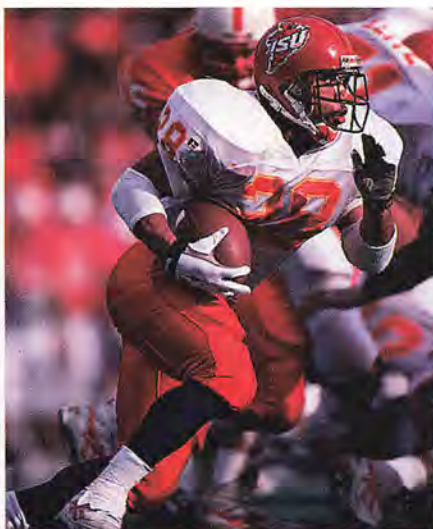
"One night he called and said he had his bags packed and asked, 'What time does the bus leave?' I told him there weren't any buses that left at 3:30 in the morning. I told him to get a ball and bounce it."

Bouncing a ball wasn't exactly what Davis had in mind. Running the ball was his specialty, but Jim Walden, head coach of the Cyclones at the time, wasn't even letting him do that.

"Troy was so upset," says Evie Myers of Ames, "he even stopped going to church."

Davis is a regular at church again. A classroom regular, too.

"I had a 2.98 grade-point average — almost a



**Davis followed his frustrating 187-yard 1994 season with a 2,010-yard rampage in '95, and his offensive linemen want to get him the Heisman in 1996.**

B — during the fall semester," he says. "I feel good about my grades, considering all the time I had to spend with football and the attention I got from reporters and fans."

Davis' grade-point average probably will never match his rushing average, but at last he feels as if he belongs. "It was my best semester yet at Iowa State," he says.

It's hard to imagine a better one. If Davis' first year of college was a nightmare, his second year was a sweet dream. In 1995, he became only the fifth player in college football history and the first sophomore to run for 2,000 yards in a season. He finished with 2,010 rushing yards and 2,466 all-purpose yards. He was named a consensus All-American.

Davis finished fifth in the Heisman Trophy balloting and traveled to the Downtown Athletic Club in New York, where he appeared on national television with winner Eddie George of Ohio State and other finalists.

Iowa State's 3-8 record, no doubt, cost Davis some votes. With the Big Eight becoming the Big 12 and with the Cyclones adding Texas A&M and Baylor to their conference schedule this season, that record probably won't be much better in '96. Yet nobody can say the 5-8, 185-pound Davis padded his rushing total against mediocre competition. Four Big Eight teams were ranked in the AP final Top 10. Davis ran for 121 yards against No. 1 Nebraska, 203 yards against No. 5 Colorado, 183 yards against No. 7 Kansas State and 120 yards against No. 9 Kansas.

"Troy had a magnificent season," McCarney says. "He was amazing."

So was the Davis-mania that enveloped Central Iowa. Come Christmas time, Troy was hotter than Barbie. Looking for a cardinal and gold No. 28 football jersey for that special someone? Better move quick.

The J.C. Penney store in West Des Moines received a shipment in October. It was gone within days. The Penney outlet in Ames sold all 48 shirts in one week. A new shipment of 72 rolled in. A week later, half had been purchased.

In February, Davis was honored at the statehouse in Des Moines. He received a long ovation, signed autographs and posed for pictures. "Be it resolved by the House of Representatives," stated Resolution 102, "that Troy Davis be congratulated for his accomplishments." The House majority leader introduced Davis to members as "the Heisman Trophy winner, hopefully, next year."

Quite a turnaround for someone who ran for only 187 yards the year before. Given his high school credentials, Davis' sophomore success wasn't all that surprising. As a senior at Miami Southridge, he was Florida's prep player of the year, breaking the Dade County single-season rushing record. He led his team to a 15-0 record and the Class 5A title. He rushed for 2,234 yards and a county-record 34 touchdowns.

But after spending a full season watching far less talented athletes lead the Cyclones into the valley of Big Eight death, Davis had his doubts. Those doubts evaporated soon after McCarney arrived.

"He had his bags packed," says McCarney, who took the job in November of '94. "But we unpacked them."

Immediately, McCarney's first piece of business was to convince Davis that he would be the main man in Iowa State's new pro-style offense and that Ames was the place to be. Considering Davis' high school accomplishments, it was a wonder he was in Ames to begin with.

Iowa State is known for many successful athletic programs: track, cross-country, basketball, wrestling. Football, however, is not one of the staples. The Cyclones never won a Big Eight football championship and, with the conference's end, never will. They haven't appeared in a postseason game since 1978, the year Earle Bruce led them



to the Hall of Fame Bowl against Texas A&M. They haven't had a winning season since 1989, when they went 6-5. In the '90s, they have yet to win more than four games in a season.

Iowa State has produced its share of NFL talent: Marcus Robertson, Keith Sims and Dennis Gibson are some current names. Matt Blair was a six-time Pro Bowler with the Vikings in the '70s and '80s. Still, it's safe to say that little boys in Florida do not grow up dreaming of Cyclone Stadium glory.

Not yet. Give Davis another year or two to change that. The precedent has been set.

Prying a top-rated player from Miami, Florida State or Florida is almost as hard as beating them on the field, but that's what former Iowa State assistant Arnie Romero did. Don Soldinger, a long-time acquaintance of Romero's, was Davis' high school coach and tipped his buddy off: "Watch this kid. He's going to be great."

Taking those words to heart, Romero spent as much time on the Southridge practice field as the rules allow. You couldn't miss him. He was the one wearing the Iowa State sweat shirt and cap. Romero recruited Davis with an offer of immediate playing time, if not stardom. Most of all, though, he recruited Davis' mother, Euler. "We'll take care of your son," Romero promised.

"If it hadn't been for Troy's mom," Romero says, "I'm sure he would have gone somewhere else."

He almost did anyway. Romero is good but not that good. Had Davis made the required score on his first attempt at the college entrance exam, Iowa State would have had no chance.

"That's how I got the jump," Romero says. "When Troy didn't make that 17 on his ACT right off the bat, people backed off."

Romero, on the other hand, did not back off. On the list of great tailbacks who might consider Iowa State, nobody had anything close to Davis' credentials. So Romero hung in there.

"I had nothing to lose," he says. And everything to gain. When Davis met NCAA requirements, Miami and Florida State reappeared. Davis had committed to the Cyclones, Romero recalls, but was clearly wavering. After Davis' visit to Miami, Florida State was waiting with a scholarship offer.

The Seminoles had signed a linebacker from Davis' high school, and now an old teammate had joined the recruiting posse.

"Troy uncommitted (to Iowa State) when Bobby Bowden talked to him that morning," Romero says, referring to the persuasive Florida State coach. "Till the day I die, I'll believe Troy's mom convinced him not to go to Florida State."

Davis finally settled on Iowa State,

but getting him on campus was only part of the battle. Keeping him there was round two.

"Troy got there on a Saturday night and wanted to go home Sunday morning," Romero remembers. "He'd never been away from home. He comes from a real tight family. Plus, he had a girlfriend down there. That doesn't help. He had to take a Greyhound, and it took him forever to get to Des Moines. Then the bus gets in 12 hours late. You can imagine the first impression."

That first impression set the tone for the next 12 months. Davis' troubles were just beginning. While the NCAA Clearinghouse was checking his transcripts, he missed the first two weeks of practice, fell behind and never really recovered. As a freshman, he would not crack the starting lineup.

As Romero tells it, Walden recognized Davis' special talent and intended to deploy the I-formation to take advantage of Davis' skills. But when Dan Dostal, an honorable mention All-Big Eight tight end, dislocated a shoulder, those plans changed. Dostal was the only scholarship tight end Walden had. You can't run the I-formation without a tight end, so Walden went ahead with his ill-fated triple option.

When Davis had finally learned the system, Walden was slow bringing him around. Davis' big moment as a freshman came in the final game when he ran back a kickoff 99 yards at Colorado. The Cyclones hadn't returned a kickoff for a

touchdown since 1976, but even that feat was upstaged by another Colorado victory and the announcement of Bill McCartney's retirement.

Two years later, there's nothing standing in Davis' way now except a crush of great expectations. Making matters merrier, brother Darren, another star running back, will join him on the team this fall.

"They'll have to stop both of us now," Troy says. "Darren says he wants to break all my records."

The Davis boys will take no one by surprise this season, even if Troy does win the Heisman.

"The pressure won't bother him a bit," McCartney says. "People say teams will know he's a 2,000-yard rusher, and the defenses will be all over him. But everybody last season knew we were going to give him the ball. We saw eight- and nine-man defensive fronts all year. He was so durable it didn't make any difference."

Before the season, Davis shocked reporters by saying his goal was to win the Heisman. It still is, which shocks nobody. Last season, he became the only Division I player in college history to run for 2,000 yards and not win the Heisman. His teammates want to make sure that doesn't happen again.

"If anything," says Tim Kohn, Iowa State's all-conference left tackle, "he's going to have an even better year because we're going to have a stronger, more cohesive offensive line. Troy is hungry. He wants that Heisman, and we want him to get it."

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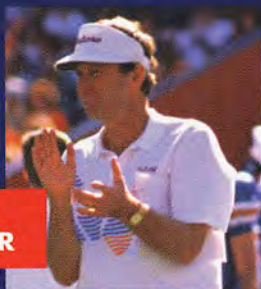


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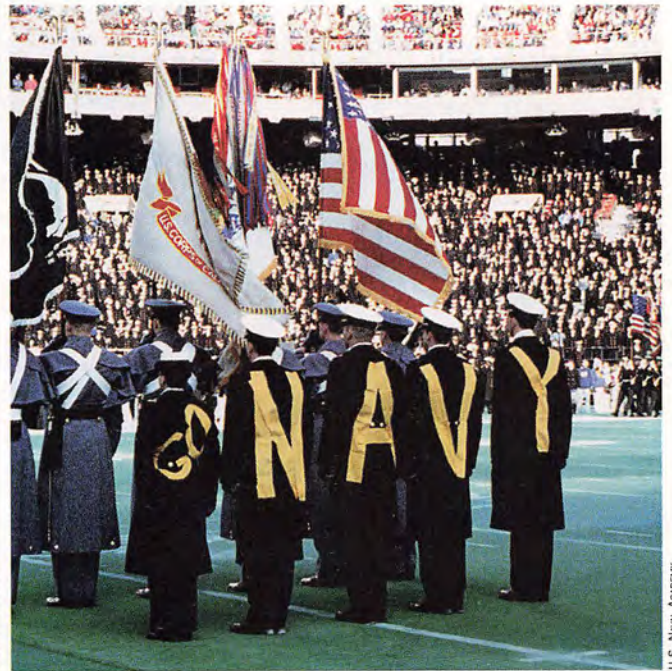
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Great Rivalries

# Army -VS- Navy

by JACK CLARY





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**"On the day of the Army Navy Game, the Army band believes it can play Anchors Aweigh better than the Navy band," a West Point bandmaster once said.**

**"It is the shortest 60 minutes in football," claimed 1955 Navy team captain John Hopkins, who, as a major general, commanded the 7th Marine Expeditionary Brigade in Operation Desert Storm.**

**With all due respect to Ohio State and Michigan, Texas and Texas A&M, Southern California and UCLA, Auburn and Alabama, and all the other famed intercollegiate rivalries, none is more intense or more universally popular than the Army-Navy game, which will be played this year for the 97th time.**

It rightly has been called "the nation's rivalry." Millions of fans claim a choice without alumni affiliation. Army-Navy parties are held past midnight in the Far East, late in the evening in the Middle East and Europe, and at the crack of dawn in the South Pacific and Hawaii. Naval ships sail the seas with Beat Army painted on their sides and sandstorms whip Beat Navy signs hung among tent cities in the Saudi Arabian desert.

And while neither team may ever again play for the national championship, few rivalries have produced such exciting, tightly contested finishes.

Consider that Army has won the last four games by a total of six points. Three games have been decided by field goals: made, missed or mistakenly passed up. A 49-yard kick that brought

emy that each day shows just how many days remain until the game is played. "Beat Army" and "Beat Navy" signs abound at the respective academies as if there needed to be a reminder of each football team's primary mission. Plebes, or first-year students, immediately learn to shout "Beat Army!" or "Beat Navy!" on the first day they learn to march because that is the cry that ends each formation during their four years of academy life.

There are pranks galore, before and during the game. A few days before the 1989 game, a group of Midshipmen kidnapped the three Army mule mascots and brought them to the Naval Academy for its Army-Navy pep rally, using an operations plan the CIA would be proud to call its own, and Navy goats have been kidnapped so often by the Cadets that they could earn frequent traveler mileage.

Several years ago, under cover of darkness, a group of Cadets painted "Beat Navy" on the side of a destroyer anchored in the Hudson River opposite the Military Academy. They were so proud of their caper that they rowed out the next day to photograph it only to be "captured" by the crew and forced to scrub off their handiwork.

All of that emotion excites the Corps of Cadets and the Brigade of Midshipmen, their alumni and fans, and even casual fans. Goose bumps by the millions pop up, eyes fill and throats get lumpy when the bands from each academy lead their student bodies in their pregame march-on: 8,000 young men and women moving in perfect cadence in a salute to the nation and each other. In their midst is a color guard that presents the American flag, those of each school and of their respective services, complete with battle ribbons from every military action this nation has ever fought. You must be there to appreciate it because television never has been able to convey the emotion that flows from this tableau.

When the march-on ends, there begins a relentless, broiling cacophony that hurtles back and forth across the stadium, producing even more emotion, as if that seems possible. This is punctuated by an occasional roar of cannons, spirited renditions of "On Brave Old Army Team" and "Anchors Aweigh," and the sight of Army's three mule mascots — Ranger, Traveler and Trooper — dashing about the sidelines with their Cadet riders astride. The three mules are a perfect contrast to the Navy goat, currently Billy XXVI, obediently standing near Navy's bench, always facing the opponent's end zone like a lighthouse guiding the Midshipman quarterback.

If there is a recurrent theme to this series, it was struck by Gen. Douglas MacArthur, superintendent of the Military Academy 75 years ago, who declared: "There is no substitute for victory." Of course, he was speaking in military terms, but MacArthur always saw a correlation between what occurs on the football field and what happens to players when they are on the battlefield. That was reiterated in recent memory by another great American philosopher, Al Davis, who will



**Mike Mayweather's 5,594 yards rushing bettered Glenn Davis' Army career mark.**

Army a 25-24 victory with 12 seconds left in 1992 was booted by Patmon Malcom after his 44-yard effort had been nullified by a penalty. The miss was an 18-yarder in the final six seconds by Navy's Ryan Bucchianeri preserving a 16-14 win in 1993. The error in judgment by Navy coach Charlie Weatherbie was a foolishly unattempted field goal in 1995 that would have insured a Navy victory but instead helped Army to win 14-13 in the final minute.

But the Army-Navy game is as much, and often more, of an emotional experience than it is a football game because the emotions on both sides provide the underpinnings for this spectacle. There is an Army-Navy clock at the Naval Acad-



be forever remembered for his "Just win, baby!" commandment. Coincidentally, that also is the underlying theme in every military tactics course taught at the academies.

The game has featured not only some of the sport's greatest football players but also some of the nation's greatest military leaders and heroes. Admiral William F. Halsey was Navy's fullback in 1902 and 1903, and America's most colorful naval commander during World War II. In 1903, he found himself being pummeled by Army's right guard, Charles Thompson. Forty years later, they met again, this time when Halsey was commander of U.S. Forces in the South Pacific and Thompson was a major general.

"General," said Halsey, "the last time I saw you, you were rubbing my nose all over Franklin Field in Philadelphia."

"Admiral," replied Thompson with a big grin, "how did I know you were going to be commander of the South Pacific?"

Halsey's boss was Fleet Admiral Edward J. King, Chief of Naval Operations and the Navy's highest-ranking officer during World War II. He was a tenacious tackle on the 1899 team, preceding other future admirals such as Jonas Ingram and Robert Ghormley, while Army's teams produced future World War II generals Dwight Eisenhower, Omar Bradley, James Van Fleet and Laverne "Blondie" Saunders.

Of course, there were many, many other officers who distinguished themselves. Slade Cutter, a member of college football's Hall of Fame, kicked what was arguably the most famous field goal in Navy history when he stood bareheaded in the rain and mud of Franklin Field in 1934 and produced the only points in the Midshipmen's 3-0 victory over Army, its first win over the Cadets in 13 years. During World War II, Cutter was a much-decorated submarine "sharpshooter" as commander of the USS Pompano, which sank 150,000 tons of Japanese shipping and damaged another 15,000 tons.

Robin Olds, an Army lineman in the early forties and also a member of the Hall of Fame, earned two Silver Stars, two Distinguished Flying Crosses and 28 Air Medals as a P-51 fighter pilot during World War II; and then he earned four more Distinguished Flying Crosses, two more Sil-

ver Stars, the Legion of Merit, the Air Force Cross and 12 more Air Medals as a jet fighter pilot in Vietnam.

This game has always been played on a higher inspirational plane than other football games, including those played by both academies during their "regular" seasons.

A half century ago, Army's fabled Touchdown Twins, Doc Blanchard and Glenn Davis, were supposed to close out their storied three-year careers with a great flourish against a Navy team that had won only one game in 1946. Army was favored by three to five touchdowns, and everyone anticipated B & D producing one last hurrah as their valedictory before leaving the game together to the accompaniment of thunderous

plays, because his team was at the 3-yard line with 90 seconds to play. Given the circumstances, a tie would have been nearly as astonishing as a victory — and as well-deserved — but Army-Navy games aren't played that way.

Instead, Hamilton ordered two runs up the middle that netted 1 yard. On the Navy sideline, he turned to line coach Edgar "Rip" Miller and asked, "What do you think of a tie?"

"Hell," Miller shot back, "you wouldn't go for a tie."

"You're damn right," Hamilton replied. "It's all or nothing in this game."

Navy had no timeouts left to stop the clock, which showed a half minute to play so Hamilton inserted an illegal substitute and incurred a 5-yard penalty, setting his team back to the 7-yard line.

On third down, Hamilton sent Lynn Chewning around right end and toward a huge throng of spectators that had spilled onto the playing field, obliterating the sideline stripe and obstructing his path to the end zone. Barney Poole, Army's All-American end, forced Chewning to the sideline, and they tumbled into the crowd of spectators. Officials said Chewning never went out of bounds — Navy claimed he did — and they kept the clock running. Navy attempted to stop it with another illegal substitute, so it could call a fourth-down pass play. But the officials refused to recognize him and allowed time to expire. Thus was Army's streak preserved.

In 1971, Navy coach Rick Forzano, his team trailing 24-21 in the final minute, ignored a

chip-shot, game-tying field goal and saw a fourth-down pass by his quarterback, Fred Stuvek, trickle off the fingertips of receiver Andy Pease at the goal line. Six years later, Middle coach George Welsh did the same thing, only to have a fourth-down option pass from Joe Gattuso Jr. float barely past the outstretched hands of Phil McConkey in the end zone as Navy lost 17-14.

Last year, Weatherbie learned the lesson painfully in his first season as Navy's coach. On fourth down from Army's 1 yard line and leading 13-7 with nearly half the fourth quarter remaining, he opted to pass for a touchdown to make an anticipated victory that much more decisive. An easy field goal would have given Navy an untouchable cushion and helped to break a three-

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ovations from 103,000 spectators at Philadelphia's Municipal Stadium.

Instead, they walked off the field at game's end almost anonymous among thousands of spectators who raced to embrace a gritty Navy team that has been forever celebrated for its gallant effort in coming within just a few seconds and a few yards of achieving one of the most astounding upsets in college football history. Only an unrelenting clock and an official's questionable call in the final minute saved Blanchard and Davis' brilliant, three-year unbeaten record with a 21-18 victory, the margin being three missed Navy extra points.

Oh, Navy could have come away with a 21-21 tie had coach Tom Hamilton opted for a field goal instead of trying to score a touchdown in three



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year losing streak to the Cadets. But the play failed and back came Army with a 19-play, 99-yard scoring drive — one of the greatest, most gut-wrenching offensive thrusts in the series history — that produced a 14-13 win in the final minute.

After the game, Weatherbie was visibly crushed. "I blew it," he said, and he wept openly before his players, apologizing to them and the worldwide legion of Navy followers for his decision. The Naval Academy tried to put on the cheeriest face by pointing to a flurry of "Nice try, don't let it bother you" communiques. But that wasn't the prevailing theme with the majority of Navy fans who know that winning — by one point or 51 points (as Navy did in 1973) — is all that matters.

Remember what Al Davis said: "Just win, baby!"

Another slogan could be: "Just hit, baby!"

"I played in four Army-Navy games, and I never was hit harder by any team we ever played — every year," Davis says. "And we hit them back just as hard because this was no ordinary game. We played them in 1944 and 1945 with the national championship on the line, and there never have been rougher games than in those years."

Moments like those have given this series the special flavor that has always sustained its tremendous popularity, even in times when both teams played less than scintillating football. Even in those years, the game's television ratings were always among the leaders, short-circuiting thoughts to abandon it in favor of higher-profile teams. Today, it has been given a permanent TV home on the first Saturday of December (for most of its first 75 years, it was always played on the Saturday following Thanksgiving Day).

There was no TV or radio when this series started at West Point in 1890, the year Army football was born. Navy had been playing football for a decade when cadet Dennis Michie, the son of Col. Peter Smith Michie, the most powerful member of the Military Academy's Academic Board, finally prevailed on his father to allow the sport to be started. Navy came up from Annapolis and won the first game 24-0.

The following year at Annapolis, some 6,000 turned out, and the series was off to a healthy start. Too healthy, it turned out, because it was suspended in 1893 when a general and an admiral got into such a heated discussion about the merits of their teams they decided to settle matters with a duel. The duel was called off but so was the series until 1899, when the popularity of



**Navy seems about to break a huddle on the way to a 24-0 win in the first Army-Navy game, played at West Point in 1890. Army got even 32-16 the next year in the series led by the Cadets 46-43-7.**

its reappearance quickly forced its move to Philadelphia's Franklin Field, where 25,000 "invitations" were gobbled up by eager attendees.

President Theodore Roosevelt decided to attend the 1901 game in Philadelphia, giving it an elite status that it has always maintained. It is said that when Navy scored a touchdown, Roosevelt was so enthusiastic that he left his seat and ran down to the Navy bench, where he slapped players on the back. When he attended the 1905 game at Princeton, he spent the entire second half prowling the sidelines, rooting for both teams with such vigor that his security detail had to restrain him from going on the field.

Future presidents were regular Army-Navy aficionados in Philadelphia and followed the game to New York City when it was moved to the Polo Grounds. That huge park was jammed every year, fairly bursting with some 70,000 in the late '20s before eligibility conflicts caused another suspension in 1928 and 1929.

The White House ordered the rivalry restored in 1930 and 1931 in support of a Salvation Army charity to alleviate the misery of the Great Depression. Crowds of 70,000 filled Yankee Stadium during those two years.

President Harry Truman and his family were regulars at the game in Philadelphia after World War II, but President Eisenhower stayed away to maintain some semblance of public neutrality, though in private Ike was true to his alma mater. President John F. Kennedy attended two games. However, complex security problems have prevented other presidents from going, and the last one to attend was Gerald Ford in 1974.

The game was played before 115,000 in Chicago's Soldier Field in 1926, the inaugural event in that mammoth stadium. The teams battled to a historic 21-21 tie and Navy claimed the national championship. So great was the draw that one person tried to parachute into the stadium. Notre Dame coach Knute Rockne even let his assistants coach against Carnegie Tech in Pittsburgh that afternoon so he could attend the Army-Navy game. Alas, the Irish were upset 19-0 and it cost them the national championship.

In 1983, 81,000 watched Navy win decisively in the Rose Bowl as Napoleon McCallum ran wild for the Midshipmen. That was the only time the game has been played west of the Mississippi River. The entire student bodies of both schools

were airlifted to the West Coast, a far cry from the "train lift" that carried their elders in Pullman sleeping cars to and from Chicago in 1926.

The game was not played in 1918 during World War I, but President Franklin D. Roosevelt ordered that it continue during World War II "for morale purposes." In 1942-43, the games were played at the two academies, and Navy won both of them. Ticket buyers were limited to those living within a 10-mile radius of each stadium. Every ticket applicant was checked, and security people went through the parking lots on the day of the games to verify that license plates belonged to cars within that radius.

The 1942 game was played at Annapolis, and half of the Brigade of Midshipmen was ordered to cheer for Army. They were led onto the field by a couple of West Point cheerleaders and a borrowed mule named Jimmy, who belonged to a local farmer. It is said that when the regular cadet handlers tried to climb on his back, he tossed them to the ground. In 1943 at West Point, half the Corps of Cadets was designated to cheer for Navy and wore white caps.

The following year, the game was moved to Baltimore as part of the Sixth War Bond Drive. Ironically, Navy destroyers escorted the ships that carried the Corps of Cadets down the east coast as protection from German submarines.

Every ticket holder had to purchase a war bond — the more expensive the bond, the better the seat location. Some \$59 million was raised from the 1944 game, which was played for the national championship because the teams were the nation's best. Army, with Blanchard and Davis each scor-



ing a touchdown, won 23-7 after injuries cost Navy the services of All-American tackle Don Whitmire and running back Bobby Jenkins.

The national championship was at stake again in the 1945 game, won by Army 32-13. The game returned that year to its traditional Municipal Stadium base in Philadelphia, where 103,000 turned out for each renewal until the 1970s, when the quality of play at the academies, compared to that of other big-time football programs, began to diminish.

In 1981, the game was moved a block up Broad Street in Philadelphia to Veterans Stadium and has since been played there and in Giants Stadium in New Jersey. Once the new football stadium in Baltimore is completed, reports say the game will alternate between that city and Giants Stadium, with an occasional stop in Philadelphia.

The one predictable feature of this series is its unpredictability, such as the near-upset in 1946.

Two years later, Navy had not won a game all year, and Army was unbeaten and nationally ranked when the two teams played to a 21-21 tie. Two years after that, Army again was undefeated — it hadn't lost a game since 1947 — but Navy, under new coach Eddie Erdelatz and with a pudgy-faced, unpredictable quarterback named Bob Zastrow, stunned the Cadets 14-2.

After his team was stripped of its talented players before the 1951 season by a so-called "cribbing scandal," Army coach Earl "Red" Blaik polished off a magnificent rebuilding program and turned the tables in 1953 when the Cadets upset a bowl-bound Navy team 7-0. Two years later, it derailed another Cotton Bowl-bound Navy team 14-6. Army's Don Holleder, who was an All-American end in 1954, gave up the chance to repeat and agreed to switch to quarterback that season without ever having played the position at any level. He rarely passed and his running was

judicious, but his on-field leadership was superb and his play flawless, particularly in Army's triumph over Navy.

At that time, Navy's acceptance of a bowl bid was contingent upon beating Army, regardless of the season's record. In 1956, with another Cotton Bowl bid within grasp, a favored Navy team was tied by Army. After the game, Naval Academy superintendent Rear Admiral William R. Smedberg III walked into Navy's locker room, stepped up on a trunk and told the team, "If you are not good enough to beat Army, then you are not good enough to play in a bowl."

That was it. Admiral Smedberg climbed down from the trunk and walked out of the room, leaving a bitter group of players in his wake.

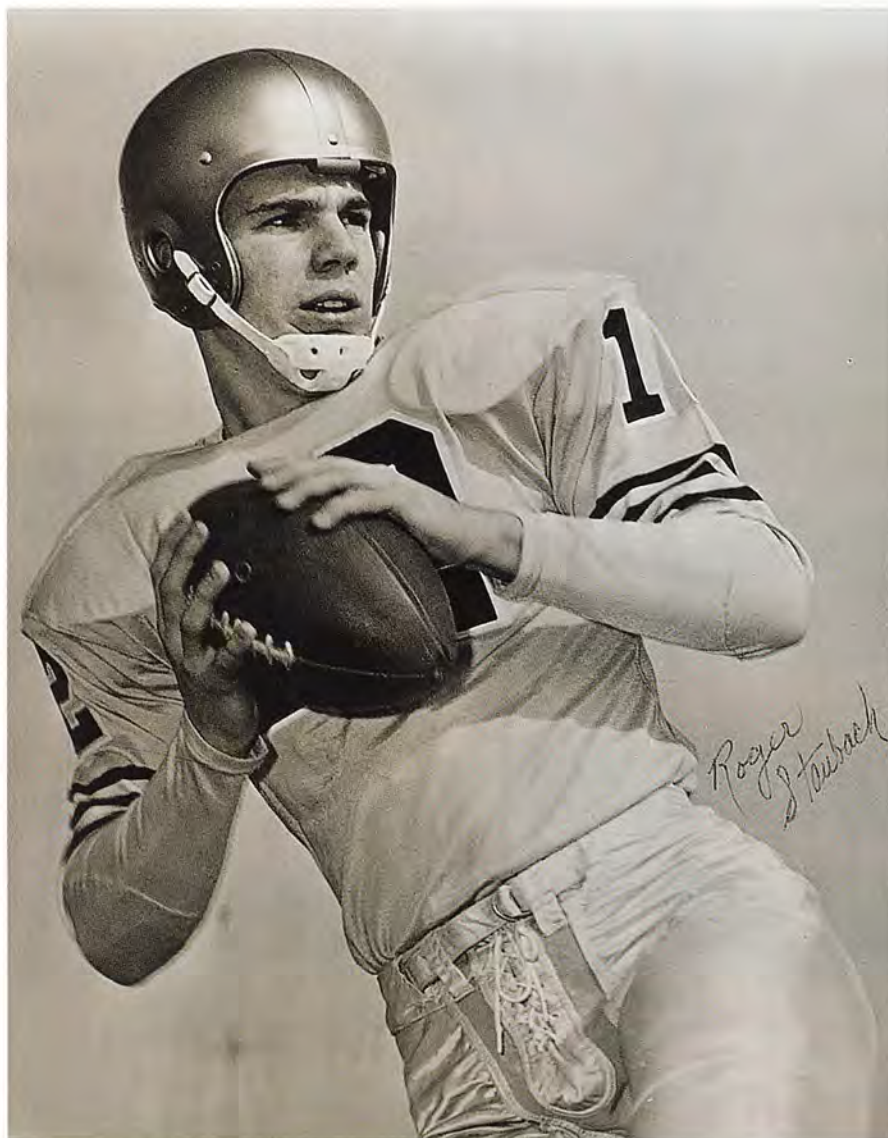
The series has been replete with great players. That memorable 1926 game in Chicago featured five future Hall of Famers: backs Red Cagle and Lighthorse Harry Wilson, and lineman Mort Sprague from Army; and halfback Tom Hamilton and tackle Frank Wickhorst of Navy. In the 1944 and 1945 battles for the national championship, there were eleven future Hall of Famers: six from Army and five from Navy.

Heisman Trophy winners like Blanchard and Davis have flourished for the most part. In 1958, running back Pete Dawkins was the nation's most honored player, but he was forced to play a decoy role in his team's victory over Navy. Joe Bellino telegraphed his Heisman Trophy wares in the 1959 matchup by becoming the first Navy player ever to score three touchdowns in the game. He won the Heisman in 1960.

Roger Staubach was promoted to Navy's starting quarterback during the 1962 season, impressing many with his ability to make plays. But it was in the Army-Navy game that year, in front of a national television audience, that Staubach built himself as a future Heisman Trophy candidate. He passed for two touchdowns and scored two more, including one of his patented, twisting, dodging runs for 21 yards during which it seemed that every Army player had a shot at tackling him. Staubach won the Heisman in 1963 as a junior.

Yet this series was never built on great stars but on intangibles such as emotion, an absolute dedication to winning regardless of the circumstances and good, old-fashioned, all-out effort. Former Navy sports information director Tom Bates said it best: "This may be the last, totally pure major college football game that is played every year."

Going into the 1996 game, Army, having won the last four, holds a 46-43-7 advantage, not bad for a series begun 106 years ago. Who will win game No. 97? Chances are it won't be the favored team. That defies tradition. **A**



**Navy's Roger Staubach, in 1963, was the last academy player to win the Heisman Trophy. He was at his best as the Midshipmen beat the Cadets 21-15 that year.**

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# Couch Stays Home

# Sun Shines Bright on Kentucky Football

by RICK BAILEY  
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**T**he genius of Tim Couch, *USA TODAY*'s high school Offensive Player of the Year in 1995, was discovered at an early age — about the time he was a fourth-grader playing football against older boys in the seventh and eighth grades in Hyden, Ky.

Or perhaps it was when Tim went against older brother Greg and uncles and cousins and buddies around the basketball goal in the Couches' driveway or in the front yard where they played football.

Almost before he knew it, Tim Couch was displaying the skills that would make him a record-setting quarterback at Leslie County High School, exhibiting the leadership that would catch the attention of a nation of college football coaches and warming the heart of the man who landed him, Bill Curry of Kentucky.

The numbers in the new, revised national high school record book will speak for themselves: 12,104 passing yards on 872 completions, 133 for touchdowns. National Player of the Year awards for 1995 reflect the immense talent of the man who became this year's most prized recruit.

It isn't the physical skills alone that will accompany the 6-5, 215-pound freshman when he reports to Kentucky for fall practice. To be sure, they are considerable: the size, the speed (4.7 in the 40), the arm strength. But it is the intangibles — the maturity, the confidence, the competitiveness and the will to win — that set Couch apart from his contemporaries.

These are the traits that could make him a Southeastern Conference starting quarterback in his rookie year. These are the traits that cause Curry's voice to resound with awe and anticipation as he contemplates Couch's arrival in Lexington.

The Wildcats, and Curry, need help. Kentucky has had only one break-even record (6-6 in 1993) in Curry's six seasons. A woeful 1-10 campaign in 1994 was followed by a 4-7 record last fall.

All the while, Big Blue fans were sweating out Couch's decision on a college. So were Curry and the coaches at Tennessee, Penn State, Auburn, Notre Dame, Ohio State, Florida and Florida State, the ones who thought they could lure Couch out of his native land. They could not, and two days before Christmas, Couch gave Curry and Wildcat fans everywhere their most cherished gift, a commitment to attend and play football for the state university.

"Tim wants to be part of bringing up football in the state," says Joe Beder, Leslie County's coach for Couch's senior season. "He wants to be part of turning the program around."

"Kentucky is my home state school," Couch says. "I don't think of it in terms of wins and losses. I want to be successful and help establish the program."

Couch told *USA TODAY*: "I don't claim to be the savior of the program. I just want to be a piece in the puzzle to help get us back on the winning track."

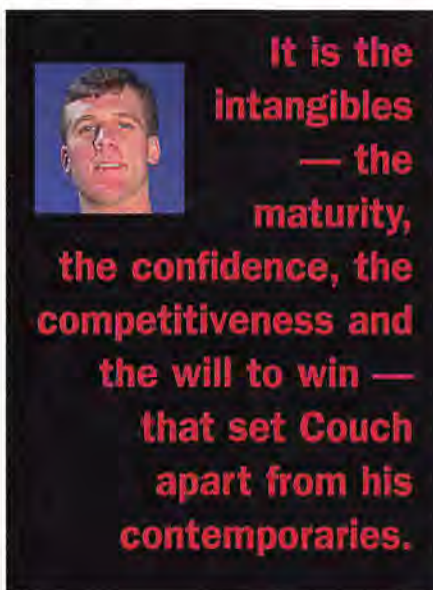
Couch's mental approach to football is striking. "I'm not cocky, but I'm self-confident inside," he says. "After my freshman year, I thought I had a lot of ability if I worked hard."

That year Couch broke Mike Whitaker's Leslie County High record when he passed for 2,272 yards. That was among the first of countless records on the local, state and national levels.

Curry became aware of Couch when the quarterback attended the Wildcats' summer camp after his sophomore year at Leslie County.

"He had poise and incredible accuracy throwing the ball," Curry says. "That's what jumps out immediately at anybody who sees him. The intangible that means the most is his humility, the fact he remained the same human being he was prior to becoming a national hero."

"We create heroes out of our young people today just because they can throw a ball. Many times that totally unglues them. That didn't happen with Tim and that's amazing."



Beder told Mike Fields of the *Lexington Herald-Leader* that he didn't see a prima donna in Couch.

"We coaches were sitting around one day talking about how we had the best football player in the nation, but you'd never know it by talking to him," Beder says. "He's an aw-shucks kind of guy."

Folks back home in the mountains of eastern Kentucky recognized the schoolboy's abilities years ago.

Elbert Couch, Tim's dad, knew when his son was a seventh grader that he would be a good athlete. Elbert recalled a junior high game that year in which the young quarterback led his team 80 yards for the winning touchdown in the final minutes.

"By the time Tim was a sophomore, I felt he had a shot at the Division I level," Elbert Couch says. "Until then, I didn't realize he was that good."

Whitaker, who served as Leslie County's head coach during Couch's sophomore and junior seasons says: "Tim was head and shoulders above everybody else in football and basketball even as a fifth grader. Once I saw his work ethic, when he was in seventh grade, I knew he was special. It was

unbelievable to put that much effort into it at that age.

"And competitive? He wanted to be the best, and he was willing to do anything to make himself better."

Greg Couch, Tim's older brother by four years, had something to do with that.

"Tim probably got beat up on a lot," Whitaker says.

Yes, he did, Greg Couch agrees.

"All we did growing up was play ball, and Tim never could stand to lose," says Greg, a senior quarterback at Eastern Kentucky University. "I'd beat up on him and rub it in, and Tim couldn't stand it. It made him play harder."

"It didn't matter what it was, we'd fight over it or compete about something. We'd fight over the last popsicle or whatever. Now, we mostly wrestle. You know how brothers are."

Elbert and Janice Couch's sons are very close.

"He's my best friend and I like to see him do well," Greg says. "He's capable of doing a lot of things, and he can help Kentucky this year. He may even surprise me on the first day and do it all."

According to Curry, Tim Couch won't have to "do it all" as soon as he arrives on the Kentucky campus.

"You have no idea what anybody is going to do when they're 18 years old," Curry says. "I don't want anyone announcing that he should start the first, fourth or ninth game. That's absurd and I'll shield Tim from that pressure ferociously. He'll come along as quickly as he can and play when he's ready."

Curry says his program needs Couch.

"He's the best high school quarterback I have seen," Curry says. "Yes, there will be a tendency for people to expect too much. It will be important for Tim to do what he learned at an early age: operate from his inner signals. If he does that, he'll be fine."

Curry also expects Couch's maturity to help in the transition from high school to college.

"A mature person is one who is impervious to outside influences," Curry says. "There are few mature people in the world, but we're blessed that Tim is that way at an early age. It's a great trait for a quarterback or any leader."

"He grew up in a real good home, surrounded by a powerful family that teaches basic values like respect and humility. And Tim is inherently a good person."

Couch's impact at Kentucky already has been felt. The school reported the sale of 353 new season-ticket packages on the first day of a week-long campaign following his signing in February. A successful 1996 season could attract a crop of top-flight recruits.

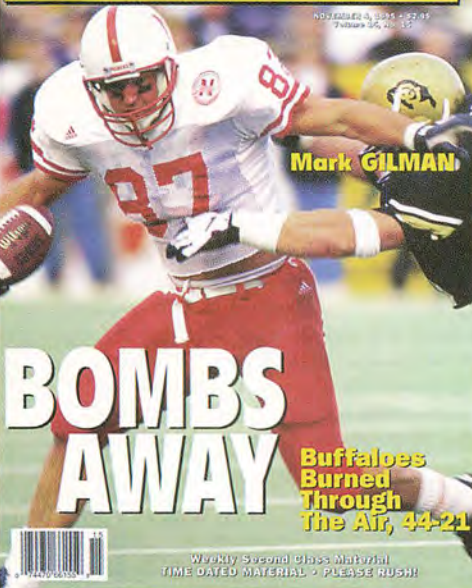
"I hope people don't expect too much too soon," Elbert Couch says. "It's a big step out of high school to the SEC."

Tim Couch remains unconcerned about fans' expectations.

"They can't expect more out of me than I expect from myself," he says. "The more you achieve, the more you expect from yourself. And I expect a lot." **A**



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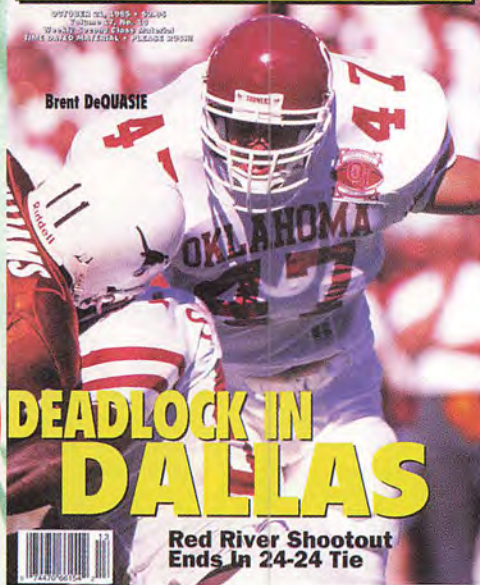
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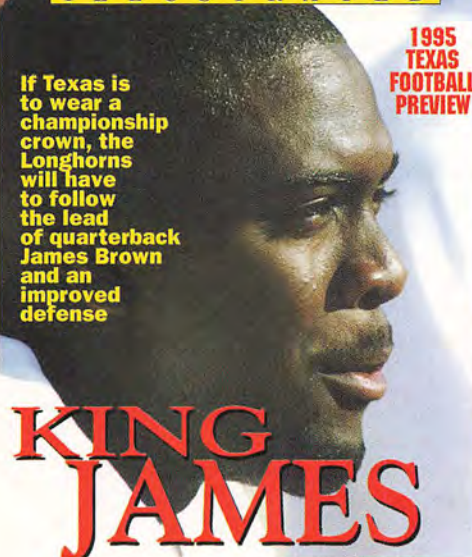
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# THE RECRUITING REPORT

## COMPILED BY COLLEGIATE SPORTS

### TOP 100 INCOMING FRESHMEN

Pos.	Player	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown-High School	College	Pos.	Player	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown-High School	College
1	QB TIM COUCH	6-5	210	HYDEN-LESLIE CO., KY	KENTUCKY	54	RB CECIL COLLINS	5-10	200	LEESVILLE, LA	LSU
2	DL COURTNEY BROWN	6-6	230	MONCKS CORNER-MACEDONIA, SC	PENN STATE	55	OL CHRIS VALLETTA	6-4	295	PLANO, TX	TEXAS A&M
3	OL TRAVIS CLARIDGE	6-6	300	FT. VANCOUVER, WA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	56	WR-DB QUINTON SPOTWOOD	5-11	175	ELIZABETH, NJ	SYRACUSE
4	WR LACOREY COLLINS	6-4	208	OAKLAND-SKYLINE, CA	OREGON	57	QB MIKE VAN RAAPHORST	6-5	215	LA MESA-HELIX, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
5	DL ERIC JEFFERSON	6-4	260	SHREVEPORT-EVANGEL, LA	ILLINOIS	58	QB TAMAURICE MARTIN	6-4	190	MOBILE-WILLIAMSON, AL	TENNESSEE
6	DL DAMONE LEWIS	6-4	250	SULPHUR SPRINGS, TX	MIAMI	59	RB LAVRANEUS COLES	6-2	197	JACKSONVILLE-RIBAUT, FL	FLORIDA STATE
7	RB PATRICK PASS	6-0	205	TUCKER, GA	GEORGIA	60	RB THOMAS JONES	6-0	189	BIG STONE GAP-POWELL V., VA	VIRGINIA
8	QB QUINCY CARTER	6-3	203	DECATUR-S.W. DeKALB, GA	GEORGIA TECH	61	WR RAKI NELSON	6-1	180	HARRISBURG-McDEVITT, PA	NOTRE DAME
9	LB ANDY KATZENMOYER	6-4	240	WESTERVILLE-SOUTH, OH	OHIO STATE	62	OL BEN KOPP	6-4	295	NEW KENSINGTON-VALLEY, PA	PITTSBURGH
10	DB DWAYNE GOODRICH	6-0	177	OAK LAWN-RICHARDS, IL	TENNESSEE	63	DE SHAUN ELLIS	6-5	230	ANDERSON-WESTSIDE, SC	TENNESSEE
11	OL JEFFERSON KELLEY	6-5	300	CINCINNATI-COLERAIN, OH	OHIO STATE	64	LB-FB JOEY GOODSPEED	6-1	225	OSWEGO, IL	NOTRE DAME
12	WR PLANCO BURRESS	6-6	210	VIRGINIA BEACH-GREEN RUN, VA	MICHIGAN STATE	65	DB TOMMY HENDRICKS, III	6-2	205	ALDINE-EISENHOWER, TX	MICHIGAN
13	RB MICHAEL WILEY	6-0	182	SPRING VALLEY-MONTE VISTA, CA	OHIO ST	66	DB-WR GERALD GRIFFIN	6-2	170	MURFREESBORO-RIVERDALE, TN	TENNESSEE
14	TE RUFUS FRENCH	6-5	224	AMORY, MS	MISSISSIPPI	67	ATH BRANDON DANIELS	6-0	180	ADA, OK	OKLAHOMA
15	LB BRANDON SPOON	6-3	225	BURLINGTON-WILLIAMS, NC	NORTH CAROLINA	68	ATH WILLIE GARDNER	6-1	180	LIVE OAK-SUWANNEE, FL	FLORIDA STATE
16	LB NATHANIEL WEBSTER	6-0	220	MIAMI-NORTHWESTERN, FL	MIAMI	69	DL KENNY SMITH	6-7	265	STEVENSON-N. JACKSON, AL	ALABAMA
17	OL MARQUES SULLIVAN	6-6	300	CHICAGO-FENWICK, IL	ILLINOIS	70	DL CEDRIC WOODARD	6-4	270	SWEENEY, TX	TEXAS
18	QB RASHARD CASEY	6-3	180	HOBOKEN, NJ	PENN STATE	71	LB EDDRICK BROOKS	6-3	225	ALDINE, TX	BAYLOR
19	RB ELIJAH BURKINS	5-9	185	PORT ARTHUR-JEFFERSON, TX	BAYLOR	72	ATH IAN MCINTOSH	5-11	185	CHESHIRE, CT	SYRACUSE
20	QB ODELL JAMES	6-4	190	ALDINE-McARTHUR, TX	BAYLOR	73	DB-RB GARY BERRY	6-1	200	COLUMBUS-DeSALES, OH	OHIO STATE
21	DL QUINCY HIPPS	6-4	235	TAMPA-CATHOLIC, FL	MIAMI	74	DL-TE VAUGHN SMITH	6-3	275	OXON HILLINDO, MD	SYRACUSE
22	DB ROLAND BAILEY	6-1	171	FOLKSTON-CHARLTON CO., GA	GEORGIA	75	FB RON DAYNE	5-11	255	PINE HILLINDOIS-OVERBROOK, NJ	WISCONSIN
23	LB JEREMIAH PHARMS	6-3	220	SACRAMENTO-VALLEY, CA	WASHINGTON	76	RB TED IACENDA	6-1	225	NEWHALL-HART, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
24	DB-RB RALPH BROWN, II	5-11	180	LA PUENTE-BISHOP AMAT, CA	NEBRASKA	77	RB DURELL PRICE	6-1	222	SYLMAR, CA	UCLA
25	RB EDGERRIN JAMES	6-2	212	IMMOKALEE, FL	MIAMI	78	WR TONY HARTLEY	6-2	180	LOS ALAMITOS, CA	OREGON
26	ATH MIKE BROWN	5-10	195	SCOTTSDALE-SAGAUAO, AZ	NEBRASKA	79	OL BILLY BRANN	6-4	280	BLUE SPRINGS-SOUTH, MO	IOWA
27	ATH TYSON WILSON	6-1	205	DALLAS-KIMBALL, TX	BAYLOR	80	TE DWIGHT EDGE	6-5	220	APOPKA, FL	FLORIDA
28	DB-RB ROBERT POLLARD	6-2	205	ORANGE PARK, FL	NEBRASKA	81	DL-TE TERRY BRYANT	6-4	245	SAVANNAH-JOHNSON, GA	CLEMSON
29	DL BRAD WILLIAMS	6-5	260	SANTA ANA-MATER DEI, CA	NOTRE DAME	82	WR JERMALE KELLY	6-2	170	GREENVILLE-BEREA, SC	SOUTH CAROLINA
30	RB-DB DAYMON CARROLL	5-11	180	NORRISTOWN, PA	FLORIDA	83	DL ENNIS DAVIS	6-5	295	RESEDA, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
31	QB TIM HASSELBACK	6-2	196	WESTWOOD-XAVIERIAN, MA	BOSTON COLLEGE	84	K SHAYNE GRAHAM	5-9	163	DUBLIN-PULASKI COUNTY, VA	VIRGINIA TECH
32	QB JASON KAPSNER	6-6	215	EDEN PRARIE, MN	MICHIGAN	85	ATH ORTEGE JENKINS	6-3	210	LONG BEACH-JORDAN, CA	ARIZONA
33	RB NICK GOINGS	6-0	195	DUBLIN-SCIOTO, OH	OHIO STATE	86	ATH JON MUYRES	6-3	185	LILBURN-PARKVIEW, GA	GEORGIA TECH
34	WR KENNETH DAVIS	6-0	185	HOUSTON-WASHINGTON, TX	HOUSTON	87	OL JEFF BACKUS	6-6	260	NORCROSS, GA	MICHIGAN
35	WR STAN GUYNES	6-3	175	LOS ALAMITOS, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	88	TE STEVE COUGHLIN	6-5	225	ANSONIA, CT	STANFORD
36	OL MIKE COOK	6-5	285	WALPOLE, MA	BOSTON COLLEGE	89	K DAVID LEAVERTON	6-4	200	MIDLAND, TX	TENNESSEE
37	OL ALCENDER JACKSON	6-4	310	MOSS POINT, MS	LSU	90	WR R. JAY SOWARD	5-11	165	FONTANA, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
38	DL THADDEUS BULLARD	6-5	247	LIVE OAK-SUWANNEE, FL	FLORIDA	91	TE MIKE SOLWOLD	6-6	228	ARROWHEAD, WI	WISCONSIN
39	LB GRADY BROOKS	6-2	220	DALLAS-LINCOLN, TX	MICHIGAN	92	DL JESSIE WARREN	6-4	250	DALLAS-CARTER, TX	COLORADO
40	LB CHRIS CLAIBORNE	6-4	225	RIVERSIDE-NORTH, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	93	RB-DB CURTIS WILLIAMS	5-10	180	FRESNO-BULLARD, CA	WASHINGTON
41	LB CHRIS EDWARDS	6-6	220	SANDERSVILLE-WASH CO., GA	GEORGIA TECH	94	OL ZAC ZEDALIS	6-4	280	ALACHUA SANTA FE, FL	FLORIDA
42	QB RYAN KEALY	6-2	198	PHOENIX-ST. MARYLANDS, AZ	ARIZONA STATE	95	OL CHAD WARD	6-6	310	KENNEWICK-RIVERVIEW, WA	WASHINGTON
43	RB DEANGELO EVANS	5-10	210	WICHITA-COLLEGIATE, KS	NEBRASKA	96	QB EARL HANFORD	6-3	215	MARTINSVILLE, IN	INDIANA
44	RB VERNON MAXWELL	6-3	205	MIDWEST CITY, OK	TENNESSEE	97	DB ANDRE KENDRICK	5-9	185	LYNCHBURG-E.C. GLASS, VA	VIRGINIA TECH
45	TE DAN O'LEARY	6-5	230	CLEVELAND-ST. IGNATIUS, OH	NOTRE DAME	98	PK-WR JIM SANSON	5-11	185	PHOENIX-ST. MARYLANDS, AZ	NOTRE DAME
46	DL MARCUS STROUD	6-6	290	QUITMAN-BROOKS CO., GA	GEORGIA	99	ATH BRYAN SMITH	6-4	205	TATUM, TX	ARKANSAS
47	QB TONY ZIMMERMAN	6-3	210	HARRISON CTY.-P. TRAFFORD, PA	PITTSBURGH	100	WR MARVIN MINNIS	6-1	165	MIAMI-NORTHWESTERN, FL	FLORIDA STATE
48	DE ROBERT ADAMS	6-5	220	NARUNA-CAMPBELL, VA	VIRGINIA TECH						
49	DB SHAWN McCORKEL	6-0	175	DOTHAN-NORTHVIEW, AL	FLORIDA STATE						
50	PK-P COURTNEY LEAVITT	6-0	210	GERMANTOWN, TN	SOUTH CAROLINA						
51	ATH T.T. TOLIVER	6-0	165	DAYTONA BEACH-MAINLAND, FL	CLEMSON						
52	ATH JOE DAWKINS	5-9	180	HACKENSACK, NJ	PENN STATE						
53	DL JASON CHING	6-4	265	HONOLULU-PUNAHOU, HI	NOTRE DAME						

### NEXT 200 BY POSITION

#### QUARTERBACKS

DYLA AQUINO	6-2	200	LOS ALTOS, CA	UCLA	ARLAND BRUCE	5-10	175	OLATHE-NORTH, KS	KANSAS
DARNELL ARCENEUX	6-3	180	HONOLULU-ST. LOUIS, HI	UTAH	CULLEN BRYANT, JR	6-4	225	GERMANTOWN-HOUSTON, TN	PURDUE
JONATHAN BEASLEY	6-1	211	GLENDALE-CACTUS, AZ	KANSAS STATE	DARRELL BUSH	5-10	180	JERSEY VILLINOISAGE, TX	BAYLOR
MALIK CAMPBELL	6-4	195	BUFFALO-CARROLL, NY	MARYLAND	JACOB BUSH	6-0	230	JACKSONVILLE-FIRST COAST, FL	SOUTH CAROLINA
KEVIN CARTY	6-4	209	SOMERVILLE, NJ	NORTH CAROLINA	LEON CALLEN	5-11	180	CONCORD-DeLaSALLE, CA	ARIZONA
BRETT ENGEMANN	6-4	220	PROVO-TIMPIEV, UT	BYU	CHRYIS CHUKWUMA	6-2	215	MONTGOMERY-LANIER, AL	ARKANSAS
KENTON EVANS	6-4	180	MEMPHIS-WESTWOOD, TN	MEMPHIS	JASON COOPER	5-11	210	OAKLAND-SKYLINE, CA	OREGON
A.J. FEELEY	6-5	195	ONTARIO, OR	OREGON	DARREN DAVIS	5-9	175	MIAMI-SOUTHRIDGE, FL	IOWA STATE
KEVIN FETERIK	6-2	195	LOS ALAMITOS, CA	BYU	AAMIR DEW	5-10	185	TOMS RIVER-NORTH, NJ	PITTSBURGH
TERRY HESS	6-2	185	TEMISCAL CYN, CA	CALIFORNIA	JONATHAN FRYER	5-11	175	SAN ANTONIO-EAST CENTRAL, TX	NEW MEXICO
DOUG JOHNSON	6-4	195	GAINESVILLE-BUCHOLZ, FL	FLORIDA	VANNEZ GOOCH	5-10	170	JACKSONVILLE-DE WHITE, FL	FLORIDA STATE
STEVE KELLY	6-4	195	BURLESON, TX	MIAMI	MARTY GRAHAM	5-9	180	TORREY PINES, CA	SAN DIEGO ST.
BEN LEARD	6-4	215	HARTWELL-HART CO., GA	AUBURN	MIKE GUZZO	6-4	205	OAKLAND-INDIAN HILLS, NJ	BOSTON COLLEGE
CHRIS SANDERS	6-1	205	FLOWER MOUND-MARCUS, TX	SMU	SEDRICK IRVIN	6-0	205	MIAMI, FL	MICHIGAN STATE
CLINT STOERNER	6-2	195	BAYTOWN-LEE, TX	ARKANSAS	MARKO JACKSON	6-0	185	SHARON, PA	TEMPLE
MIKE USRY	6-4	209	TALLAHASSEE-N. FL. CHRISTIAN, FL	GEORGIA	JEREMY KISBAUGH	6-2	220	BERWICK, PA	VIRGINIA TECH
JASON VAUGHAN	6-3	190	ATLANTA-N. SPRINGS, GA	MISSISSIPPI	LEE LAFAYETTE	5-10	185	KANKAKEE-BISHOP McNAMARA, IL	NOTRE DAME
					IAN MILLINOISER	5-10	210	SPRING VALLEY-MONTE VISTA, CA	NORTHWESTERN
					AKKAAR MOSES	5-11	230	LONG BEACH-POLY, CA	FRESNO STATE
					RODNICK PHILLIPS	6-0	200	GALVESTON-O'CONNELL, TX	SMU
					TEOFILO RILEY	6-2	195	MEMPHIS-CENTRAL, TN	MEMPHIS
					KETRIC SANFORD	5-9	185	CORSICANA, TX	HOUSTON
					MAURICE SHAW	6-1	205	SACRAMENTO-EL CAMINO, CA	WASHINGTON
					WILL SNOWDEN	5-11	200	BOULDER, CO	BYU

#### RUNNING BACKS

DANIEL ALEXANDER	6-2	230	WENTZVILLE, MO	NEBRASKA
DAMONE BOONE	5-9	175	SPRINGFIELD-WEST SPRINGFIELD, VA	MARYLAND
KEITH BROWN	6-0	205	PHOENIX-MT. POINT, AZ	UCLA



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RASHON SPIKES	5-11	205	MERIDIAN, CT	N.C. STATE
JAY VICKERS	6-1	205	TALLAHASSEE-LINCOLN, FL	NOTRE DAME

## WIDE RECEIVERS

CHIFFY ALLEN	5-10	170	PASSAIC, NJ	PITTSBURGH
MANUEL AUSTIN	6-2	180	LOS GATOS, CA	WASHINGTON
DAVID BOSTON	6-3	200	HUMBLE, TX	OHIO STATE
TIM BOWENS	6-2	198	KILLEN-BROOKS, AL	ALABAMA
OMAR CHEESBORO	6-3	175	MONTCLAIR-IMMACULATE, NJ	MARYLAND
JERRY OIORON	6-3	195	CROWLEY, LA	MICHIGAN
DAMIEN DOOSON	5-9	165	MEMPHIS-WESTWOOD, TN	MEMPHIS
DEMITRIUS OOTSON	6-2	185	STATEN ISLAND-CURTIS, NY	VIRGINIA
TROY GARNER	6-2	189	SHERMAN OAKS-NOTRE DAME, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
JAVON GREEN	6-4	203	INGLEWOOD, CA	COLORADO
DAVID HILL	6-3	188	EUFULA, AL	AUBURN
TITCUS PETTIGREW	6-2	192	CLEMMONS-WEST FORSYTH, NC	PENN STATE
TROY TOLBERT	6-2	195	AUGUSTA-JOSEY, GA	GEORGIA TECH
OARIK WARNEKE	6-1	190	STOW-WALSH JESUIT, OH	OHIO STATE
SHADRICK WASHINGTON	6-4	210	MILWAUKEE-VINCET, WI	WISCONSIN
MARCUS WILLIAMS	6-4	230	BERKELEY, CA	COLORADO
MICHAEL WILLIAMS	6-0	180	BASTROP, LA	ARKANSAS

## TIGHT ENDS

MATT ANDERSON	6-4	230	MOORE, OK	OKLAHOMA
RO'DERRICK BROUGHTON	6-3	230	MONROE-NEVILLE, LA	TEXAS A&M
GABE CRECION	6-5	225	WEST HILLS-CHAMINADE, CA	UCLA
DANIEL FRANKS	6-6	235	BIG SPRING, TX	MIAMI
MIKE GURR	6-7	250	HAMILTON, OH	OHIO STATE
WKE IHEJETO	6-5	245	WASHINGTON-CARROLL, DC	SYRACUSE

## OFFENSIVE LINEMEN

BRAD BARNES	6-7	275	YORKTOWN-TABB, VA	VIRGINIA
IMANI BELL	6-5	310	PHILADELPHIA-DOUGHERTY, PA	PENN STATE
SHEDDORICK BLACKMON	6-5	285	PENSACOLA-ESCAMBIA, FL	SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI
MATT BRENNAN	6-5	259	MOBILE-WRIGHT, AL	NOTRE DAME
JERRY CARMICHAEL	6-4	275	PLANTATION, FL	FLORIDA STATE
TARLOS CRUMITIE	6-5	290	MONTICELLO-JEFFERSON CTY., FL	FLORIDA STATE
DOMINIC OASTE	6-4	305	LaVERNE-DAMIEN, CA	WASHINGTON
MATT FRAIZE	6-4	270	SANTA ROSA-NEWMAN, CA	WASHINGTON
DEMOND GIBSON	6-3	305	PITTSBURGH-PENN HILLS, PA	PITTSBURGH
JOEL GRIBOWSKI	6-6	298	SCOTSFIELD-EVEREST, WI	WISCONSIN
RYAN HENDRICKSON	6-5	295	ARLINGTON-MARTIN, TX	HOUSTON
LEON HIRES	6-6	285	BRADENTON-MANATEE, FL	NOTRE DAME
ADAM HOTZ	6-3	270	PAPILLION-LA VISTA, NE	KANSAS STATE
TIM HOWARD	6-5	275	MIDDLETOWN, NJ	MARYLAND
JOE D. HUBBARD	6-5	285	HOOKS, TX	TEXAS
STEVE HUTCHINSON	6-4	280	CORAL SPRINGS, FL	MICHIGAN
RICHARD LANO	6-8	290	BRENTWOOD-ACADEMY, TN	TEXAS
PARIS LONG	6-4	300	COLUMBUS-BEECHCROFT, OH	OHIO STATE
FAE'AE'SMA MAILO	6-4	300	HONOLULU-KAHUKU, HI	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
JOHN MERANDI	6-3	273	RIM OF THE WORLD, CA	NOTRE DAME
BRIAN MINEHART	6-4	280	BUTLER, PA	PITTSBURGH
JOHN MOALA	6-7	255	CARROLLTON-SMITH, TX	BYU
JARAD MOON	6-5	265	PANAMA CITY BAY, FL	FLORIDA STATE
ROB MOWL	6-6	280	PITTSBURGH WOODLAND HILLS, PA	NOTRE DAME
KURT MURPHY	6-4	280	COLUMBUS-DeSALES, OH	OHIO STATE
GREG ROBINSON	6-6	303	LaMARQUE, TX	OKLAHOMA
ROGER ROESLER	6-6	305	ROUND ROCK, TX	TEXAS
COLIN SEARS	6-4	280	RUSSELLVILLE, AL	AUBURN
PAT SMITH	6-5	270	LA MESA-HELIX, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
DAVE SUCURA	6-5	250	STERLING HTS.-STEVENSON, MI	MICHIGAN STATE
JOEL SUGG	6-6	260	IRVINE, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
PAUL TANNOUS	6-5	290	CY CREEK, TX	MICHIGAN
JOSH TUCKER	6-5	290	SKYLINE-ROBERSON, NC	TENNESSEE
TIM TURNER	6-7	295	COATESVILLE, PA	N.C. STATE
ANDY VINCENT	6-5	280	SULPHUR, LA	TEXAS A&M
MIKE WHITCANACK	6-6	275	SARATOGA, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

## DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

DARCEY AFUWA	6-2	280	OGDEN-BONNEVILLE, UT	OREGON
RYAN ALLEN	6-4	252	ENID, OK	OKLA
CHRIS ANDERSON	6-3	285	MARRERO-EHRET, LA	TULANE
KOFI BAWUAH	6-2	250	WOODBIDGE-GARFIELD, VA	VIRGINIA
SAM BENNER	6-4	245	SANTA PAULA-ST. BONAVENTURE, CA	STANFORD
CARL BRADLEY	6-4	260	LYNCHBURG-E.C. GLASS, VA	VIRGINIA TECH
DAVE BRANOT	6-4	250	JENISON, MI	MICHIGAN
CORNELIUS BURTON	6-6	240	HOUSTON-LAMAR, TX	OKLAHOMA
CECIL CALDWELL	6-3	250	NEWBERRY, SC	SOUTH CAROLINA
JAMIE CARTER	6-4	285	PHILADELPHIA-NESHOBA CENT., MS	ALABAMA
TORY CHAMPION	6-5	285	HUMBOLT, TN	TENNESSEE
JAVIER COLLINS	6-7	265	ST. PAUL-ST. THOMAS, MN	NORTHWESTERN
DENISHO COOK	6-4	280	STILLWATER, OK	OKLAHOMA STATE
DERRICK CURRY	6-4	265	HOUSTON-JONES, TX	TEXAS
RASHAAN DAVIS	6-6	290	LOS ALAMITOS, CA	CALIFORNIA
JEFFREY FISHER	6-3	275	COATESVILLE, PA	N.C. STATE
WILL GOODLOE	6-5	255	SPRING VALLEY-MONTE VISTA, CA	TEXAS
BUCK GURLEY	6-4	236	TALLAHASSEE-GODBY, FL	FLORIDA

ROBERT HAAS	6-4	230	BOULDER-FAIRVIEW, CO	COLORADO
CASEY HAMPTON	6-1	300	GALVESTON-BALL, TX	TEXAS
DONALD HEAVEN	6-5	280	CAROL CITY, FL	FLORIDA STATE
MIKE HULL	6-5	250	HAGERSTOWN-SOUTH, MD	MARYLAND
T.J. JACKSON	6-3	240	LOMPOC, CA	WASHINGTON
SEAN JARNE	6-5	255	ANAHEIM-ESPERANZA, CA	COLORADO
JASON JONES	6-2	265	DALLAS-KIMBALL, TX	TEXAS TECH
MARC KIELMEYER	6-6	230	WESTERVILLE-SOUTH, OH	PENN STATE
JEROME KING	6-4	245	WEST MONROE, LA	SOUTHERN MISS
THABETI LOCKHART	6-3	245	OAKLAND-FREMONT, CA	CALIFORNIA
IAN LOPER	6-5	230	SAN DIEGO-PT. LOMA, CA	COLORADO
JASON McCAULEY	6-3	255	KEY WEST, FL	MARYLAND
JOHNNY MITCHELL	6-5	280	MARRERO-EHRET, LA	LSU
BRENT MUELLER	6-4	255	FAIRFAX-ROBINSON SECONDARY, VA	AUBURN
HANS OLSEN	6-4	262	WEISER, ID	BYU
ANTHONY OVERSTREET	6-3	235	ATLANTA-DOUGLASS, GA	SOUTH CAROLINA
JEREMIAH PARKER	6-5	250	RICHMOND-DeANZA, CA	CALIFORNIA
MARCUS PEREZ	6-4	245	MEDINA, OH	OHIO STATE
BLAINE SAIFNA	6-2	275	OXNARD-CANNEL ISLAND, CA	COLORADO STATE
MARCUS SANDERS	6-4	245	MESQUITE, TX	HOUSTON
ROBARIE SMITH	6-6	235	FLINT-NORTHERN, MI	MICHIGAN STATE
BRIAN STINSON	6-4	220	DELANO, FL	MIAMI
RASHAD STREETS	6-3	280	U. MARLBORO-RIVERDALE BAPTIST, MD	N.C. STATE
STEVE WARREN	6-2	298	SPRINGFIELD-KICKAPOO, MO	NEBRASKA
JOSHUA WEBB	6-6	268	TURLOCK, CA	UCLA
MICAH WEBB	6-5	270	TURLOCK, CA	UCLA
STEVE WILLIAMS	6-4	255	SAPULPA, OK	OKLA
DERRION YATES	6-7	235	HOUSTON-WASHINGTON, TX	LSU

## LINEBACKERS

BUBBA ALEXANDER	6-3	195	SHREVEPORT-EVANGEL, LA	TEXAS A&M
JASPER ARMSTRONG	6-2	225	AURORA-EAGLECREST, CO	COLORADO STATE
CARLTON BEXLEY	6-1	240	CARROLLTON, GA	ARKANSAS
TIM BURGESS	6-3	225	CARY, NC	NORTH CAROLINA
JEFF CHANEY	6-1	210	LAKE WALES, FL	SOUTH CAROLINA
NAT'L DIGGS	6-4	200	LOS ANGELES-DORSEY, CA	OHIO STATE
ODELL GEORGE	6-2	205	RANCHO BUENA VISTA, CA	COLORADO
GEORGE GUIORY	6-3	225	LAKE CHARLES-WASH-MARION, LA	NEBRASKA
BRANDON MATTHEWS	6-3	240	NEW ORLEANS-CARVER, LA	LSU
SKIP MILLER	6-5	215	LAWTON-BRONSON, IA	IOWA
CHRIS MORANT	6-2	229	HAMPTON-BETHEL, VA	VIRGINIA
MAC MORRISON	6-2	218	PORT ORCHARD-S. KITSAP, WA	PENN STATE
ANDRE OFFING	6-3	224	HOUSTON, TX	SOUTH CAROLINA
DARRELL OWENS	6-0	215	JACKSON-PROVINE, MS	FLORIDA
KWAESE PALMER	6-2	245	SULPHUR SPRINGS, TX	FLORIDA STATE
ROLAND SEYMOUR	6-4	241	NEW ORLEANS-ST. AUG, LA	FLORIDA STATE
SHAHEED SHAMSUD-DIN	6-3	235	LOS ANGELES-VERBURN DEI, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
ROBBY STATEN	6-0	240	PEARL, MS	ALABAMA
JASON STEEN	6-3	210	GARDENA-SERRA, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
ERIC STUOIFEN	6-1	223	RICHMOND-HUGUENOT, VA	PENN STATE
JOSH TAFT	6-4	230	PLANO-EAST, TX	TEXAS
CHRIS THIERRY	6-2	225	BAYTOWN-LEE, TX	TEXAS A&M
RAYNOCH THOMPSON	6-3	211	NEW ORLEANS-ST. AUGUSTINE, LA	TENNESSEE
BYRON THWEATT	6-2	215	ETTRICK-MATOACA, VA	VIRGINIA
STEPHEN TREJO	6-3	230	CASA GRANDE, AZ	ARIZONA STATE
WILBER VALDEZ	6-1	235	HOBOKEN, NJ	MIAMI
JON WATKINS	6-2	233	PERTH AMBOY, NJ	MARYLAND
ANSELMO ZAMANO	6-2	220	FONTANA, CA	UCLA

## DEFENSIVE BACKS

DAMIAN ALLEN	5-10	170	LaVERNE-DAMIEN, CA	UCLA
WILL ALLEN	6-0	171	SYRACUSE-CORCORAN, NY	SYRACUSE
JASON BELL	6-2	175	LONG BEACH-MILLIKAN, CA	UCLA
AL BLADES	6-1	180	PLANTATION, FL	MIAMI
SHANNON BRAZZIELE	6-0	205	LEWISVILLE, TX	TCU
LaUNDRE BROWN	5-11	175	FT. WORTH-WYATT, TX	MICHIGAN
MIKE BURDEN	6-1	210	PALATINE, IL	OHIO STATE
PEDRO CIRIND	6-1	187	JERSEY CITY-ST. PETER'S, NJ	BOSTON COLLEGE
DEREK EDMONDS	5-10	180	TAMPA-HILLSBOROUGH, FL	TENNESSEE
ELAN EDWARDS	6-1	175	BOULDER, CO	COLORADO
J.R. EDWARDS	6-2	180	LINCOLN-SOUTHEAST, NE	NEBRASKA
JEREMY FLOWERS	6-0	186	ARLINGTON-BOWIE, TX	ARKANSAS
RICHMOND FLOWERS, III	6-0	185	VESTAVIA HILLS, AL	DUKE
AARON GATTEN	6-1	200	WASHINGTON, PA	PENN STATE
DAVID GIBSON	6-2	200	SANTA ANA-MATER DEI, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
JOHN GIBSON	6-1	175	PAPILLION, NE	NEBRASKA
DONALD HARRIS	6-1	203	WASHINGTON-H.D. WOODSON, DC	VIRGINIA TECH
COREY HENDERSON	6-1	190	MARRERO-EHRET, LA	ARIZONA
REGGIE HUNT	6-0	195	DENISON, TX	TCU
NEHEMIAH MINDR	6-1	193	DETROIT-PERSHING, MI	ILLINOIS
JOHNNY PONDER	6-2	185	JACKSONVILLE-LEE, FL	VIRGINIA
JAMARCUS POWERS	5-10	165	LaMARQUE, TX	TCU
CORY ROBINSON	5-11	180	TUCKER, GA	GEORGIA
YUSUF SHAKIR	6-0	192	TALLAHASSEE-LINCOLN, FL	WISCONSIN
JASON SMALL	6-0	180	LOS ANGELES-WESTCHESTER, CA	VIRGINIA



## PLACEKICKER

BILLY GRAMATICA 5-10 165 LA BELLE, FL FLORIDA STATE

## ATHLETES

JUNIOR BRIGIVAC	6-3	177	RESEDA-CLEVELAND, CA	WASHINGTON
DEE BROWN	5-11	185	ALTAMONTE SPGS-LK. BRANTLEY, FL	SYRACUSE
TELLIE EMBERY	6-2	200	SYLACAUGA-COMER, AL	AUBURN
RONNEY JENKINS	5-11	170	OXNARD-HUENEME, CA	BYU
RIALL JOHNSON	6-3	225	EVERETT-MARINER, WA	STANFORD
TONY LINDSAY	6-2	185	DENVER-JEFFERSON, CO	OKLAHOMA STATE
TIM SPRUILL	5-10	166	COLUMBIA-HAMMOND, MD	VIRGINIA
MARCUS STIGGERS	5-7	170	RICHARDSON-LAKE HIGHLAND, TX	COLORADO
GARRETT WATKINS	6-4	205	CORAPOLIS-MOON, PA	PENN STATE
JERRY WESTBROOKS	6-3	215	BOCA RATON-POPE JOHN PAUL, FL	OHIO STATE
MIKE WOODS	5-10	170	DEL CITY, OK	OKLAHOMA

## TOP 40 RECRUITING CLASSES

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|------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. OHIO STATE          | 21. BAYLOR         |
| 2. PENN STATE          | 22. VIRGINIA       |
| 3. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA | 23. AUBURN         |
| 4. TENNESSEE           | 24. OKLAHOMA       |
| 5. FLORIDA STATE       | 25. ARIZONA        |
| 6. NOTRE DAME          | 26. VIRGINIA TECH  |
| 7. FLORIDA             | 27. TEXAS A&M      |
| 8. NEBRASKA            | 28. MARYLAND       |
| 9. COLORADO            | 29. PITTSBURGH     |
| 10. MICHIGAN           | 30. GEORGIA        |
| 11. LSU                | 31. MICHIGAN STATE |
| 12. GEORGIA TECH       | 32. BYU            |
| 13. TEXAS              | 33. CALIFORNIA     |
| 14. MIAMI              | 34. WISCONSIN      |
| 15. OREGON             | 35. ALABAMA        |
| 16. ILLINOIS           | 36. ARIZONA STATE  |
| 17. WASHINGTON         | 37. HOUSTON        |
| 18. ARKANSAS           | 38. CLEMSON        |
| 19. UCLA               | 39. NORTH CAROLINA |
| 20. SOUTH CAROLINA     | 40. STANFORD       |

## TOP 50 IN ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE

1 QB QUINCY CARTER	6-3	203	DECATUR-S.W. DEKALB, GA	GEORGIA TECH
2 LB BRANDON SPOON	6-3	225	BURLINGTON-WILLIAMS, NC	NORTH CAROLINA
3 LB CHRIS EDWARDS	6-6	220	SANDERSVILLE-WASH CO., GA	GEORGIA TECH
4 DB SHAWN MCCORKLE	6-0	175	DOTHAN-NORTHVIEW, AL	FLORIDA STATE
5 ATH T.T. TOLIVER	6-0	165	DAYTONA BEACH-MAINLAND, FL	CLEMSON
6 RB LAVERNEUS COLES	6-2	197	JACKSONVILLE-RIBAUT, FL	FLORIDA STATE
7 RB THOMAS JONES	6-0	189	BIG STONE GAP-POWELL VALLEY, VA	VIRGINIA
8 ATH WILLIE GARDNER	6-1	180	LIVE OAK-SUWANNEE, FL	FLORIDA STATE
9 DL-TE TERRY BRYANT	6-4	245	SAVANNAH-JOHNSON, GA	CLEMSON
10 ATH JON MUYRES	6-3	185	LILBURN-PARKVIEW, GA	GEORGIA TECH
11 WR MARVIN MINNIS	6-1	165	MIAMI-NORTHWESTERN, FL	FLORIDA STATE
12 K BILLY GRAMATICA	5-10	165	LA BELLE, FL	FLORIDA STATE
13 DL JEFFREY FISHER	6-3	275	COATESVILLE, PA	N.C. STATE
14 QB KEVIN CARTY	6-4	209	SOMERVILLE, NJ	NORTH CAROLINA
15 WR-DB OMAR CHESSBORO	6-3	175	MONTCLAIR-IMMACULATE, NJ	MARYLAND
16 LB KWAESE PALMER	6-2	245	SULPHUR SPRINGS, TX	FLORIDA STATE
17 OL-DL TARLOS CRUMITIE	6-5	290	MONTICELLO-JEFFERSON CTY., FL	FLORIDA STATE
18 OL BRAD BARNES	6-7	275	YORKTOWN-TABB, VA	VIRGINIA
19 RB DAMONE BOONE	5-9	175	SPRINGFIELD-WEST SPRINGFIELD, VA	MARYLAND
20 RB VANNEZ GOOCH	5-10	170	JACKSONVILLE-ED WHITE, FL	FLORIDA STATE
21 DL DONALD HEAVEN	6-5	280	CAROL CITY, FL	FLORIDA STATE
22 LB ROLAND SEYMOUR	6-4	241	NEW ORLEANS-ST. AUG. LA	FLORIDA STATE
23 DB JASON SMALL	6-0	180	LOS ANGELES-WESTCHESTER, CA	VIRGINIA
24 RB RASHON SPIKES	5-11	205	MERIDIAN, CT	N.C. STATE
25 WR DEMITRIUS DOTSON	6-2	185	STATEN ISLAND-CURTIS, NY	VIRGINIA
26 DB JOHNINNY PONDER	6-2	185	JACKSONVILLE-LEE, FL	VIRGINIA
27 OL JARAD MOON	6-5	265	PANAMA CITY BAY, FL	FLORIDA STATE
28 OL JERRY CARMICHAEL	6-4	275	PLANTATION, FL	FLORIDA STATE
29 ATH TIM SPRUILL	5-10	166	COLUMBIA-HAMMOND, MD	VIRGINIA
30 LB BYRON THWEATT	6-2	215	ETTRICK-MATOACA, VA	VIRGINIA
31 OL TIM HOWARD	6-5	275	MIDDLETOWN, NJ	MARYLAND
32 LB CHRIS MORANT	6-2	229	HAMPTON-BETHEL, VA	VIRGINIA
33 QB MALIK CAMPBELL	6-4	195	BUFFALO-CARROLL, NY	MARYLAND
34 DL RASHAD STREETS	6-3	280	MARLBORO-RIVERDALE BAPTIST, MD	N.C. STATE
35 WR TROY TOLBERT	6-2	195	AUGUSTA-JOSEY, GA	GEORGIA TECH
36 LB JON WATKINS	6-2	233	PERTH AMBOY, NJ	MARYLAND
37 DL KOFI BAWUAH	6-2	250	WOODBIDGE-GARFIELD, VA	VIRGINIA
38 LB TIM BURGESS	6-3	225	CARY, NC	NORTH CAROLINA
39 LB TOMMY POLLEY	6-5	210	BALTIMORE-DUNBAR, MD	FLORIDA STATE
40 DL MIKE HULL	6-5	250	HAGERSTOWN-SOUTH, MD	MARYLAND
41 DL BRYNE MALONE	6-7	240	FRISCO CITY, AL	FLORIDA STATE
42 DL JASON MCCAULEY	6-3	255	KEY WEST, FL	MARYLAND

43 RB TERRY WITHERSPOON	6-1	230	MONROE, NC	CLEMSON
44 OL TIM TURNER	6-7	295	COATESVILLE, PA	N.C. STATE
45 TE TERRENCE DUPREE	6-4	220	SEFFNER-ARMWOOD, FL	DUKE
46 FS LEWIS SANDERS	6-1	185	STATEN ISL-ST. PETERS, NY	MARYLAND
47 TE MIKE LILLIE	6-4	245	RIVER RIDGE-CURTIS, LA	GEORGIA TECH
48 WR BRETT BASQUIN	6-3	190	LA BELLE, FL	GEORGIA TECH
49 WR MAL LAWYER	5-11	170	BERKLEY, SC	CLEMSON
50 DB-WR RICHMOND FLOWERS, III	6-0	185	VESTAVIA HILLS, AL	DUKE

## TOP 50 IN BIG EAST CONFERENCE

1 DL DAMOINE LEWIS	6-4	250	SULPHUR SPRINGS, TX	MIAMI
2 LB NATHANIEL WEBSTER	6-0	220	MIAMI-NORTHWESTERN, FL	MIAMI
3 DL QUINCY HIPPS	6-4	235	TAMPA-CATHOLIC, FL	MIAMI
4 RB EDGERFIN JAMES	6-2	212	IMMOKALEE, FL	MIAMI
5 QB TIM HASSELBACK	6-2	196	WESTWOOD-XAVIERIAN, MA	BOSTON COLLEGE
6 OL MIKE COOK	6-5	285	WALPOLE, MA	BOSTON COLLEGE
7 QB TONY ZIMMERMAN	6-3	210	HARRISON CTY.-PENN-TRAFFORD, PA	PITTSBURGH
8 DE ROBERT ADAMS	6-5	220	NARUNA-CAMPBELL, VA	VIRGINIA TECH
8 WR-DB QUINTON SPOTWOOD	5-11	175	ELIZABETH, NJ	SYRACUSE
10 OL BEN KOPP	6-4	295	NEW KENSINGTON-VALLEY, PA	PITTSBURGH
11 ATH IAN MCINTOSH	5-11	185	CHESHIRE, CT	SYRACUSE
12 DL-TE VAUGHN SMITH	6-3	275	OXON HILLINOIS, MD	SYRACUSE
13 K SHAYNE GRAHAM	5-9	163	DUBLIN-PULASKI COUNTY, VA	VIRGINIA TECH
14 DB ANDRE KENDRICK	5-9	185	LYNCHBURG-E.C. GLASS, VA	VIRGINIA TECH
15 RB-DB PEDRO CIRINO	6-1	187	JERSEY CITY-ST. PETER'S, NJ	BOSTON COLLEGE
16 OL DEMOND GIBSON	6-3	305	PITTSBURGH-PENN HILLS, PA	PITTSBURGH
17 WR CHIFFY ALLEN	5-10	170	PASSAIC, NJ	PITT
18 DE BRIAN STINSON	6-4	220	DELAND, FL	MIAMI
19 DB AL BLADES	6-1	180	PLANTATION, FL	MIAMI
20 RB MARKO JACKSON	6-0	185	SHARON, PA	TEMPLE
21 LB-FB WILBER VALDEZ	6-1	235	HOBOKEN, NJ	MIAMI
22 TE-DL IKE IHEJETO	6-5	245	WASHINGTON-CARROLL, DC	SYRACUSE
23 DB WILL ALLEN	6-0	171	SYRACUSE-CORCORAN, NY	SYRACUSE
24 DL CARL BRADLEY	6-4	260	LYNCHBURG-E.C. GLASS, VA	VIRGINIA TECH
25 QB STEVE KELLY	6-4	195	BURLESON, TX	MIAMI
26 ATH DEE BROWN	5-11	185	ALTAMONTE SPGS-LK. BRANTLEY, FL	SYRACUSE
27 RB AAMIR DEW	5-10	185	TOMS RIVER-NORTH, NJ	PITTSBURGH
28 RB-DB MIKE GUAZZO	6-4	205	OAKLAND-INDIAN HILLS, NJ	BOSTON COLLEGE
29 TE DANIEL FRANKS	6-6	235	BIG SPRING, TX	MIAMI
30 OL BRIAN MINEHART	6-4	280	BUTLER, PA	PITTSBURGH
31 FB-LB JEREMY KISBAUGH	6-2	220	BERWICK, PA	VIRGINIA TECH
32 DB DONALD HARRIS	6-1	203	WASHINGTONH.D. WOODSON, DC	VIRGINIA TECH
33 QB DAVE ROBBINS	6-2	185	BERWICK, PA	BOSTON COLLEGE
34 DB JAMES SUTTON	6-1	215	MIAMI-SOUTHBRIDGE, FL	MIAMI
35 ATH ANTHONY MIDGET	5-10	165	CLEWISTON, FL	VIRGINIA TECH
36 DB LORENZO FERGUSON	6-2	175	CHESAPEAKE-W. BRANCH, VA	VIRGINIA TECH
37 LB-FB CLIFF SHEL	6-3	240	WORCESTER-ST. PETER MARION, MA	SYRACUSE
38 RB-DB JOSEPH MICKENS	6-1	191	LAKEHURST-MANCHESTER, NJ	BOSTON COLLEGE
39 ATH GREG MYERS	6-3	210	MOUNTAIN TOP, PA	VIRGINIA TECH
40 DB MIKE PRIDGEN	6-2	210	HYATTSVILLE-DEMATHA, MD	RUTGERS
41 LB MAYNARD PETTUJOHN	6-2	225	WEST ROXBURY, MA	SYRACUSE
42 OL JOSHUA REDDING	6-6	275	HANOVER, PA	VIRGINIA TECH
43 DL-OL RICHARD ALLARA	6-4	260	MATEWAN, WV	WEST VIRGINIA
44 LB CORY STORR	6-4	260	MIAMI-KULLIN, FL	VIRGINIA TECH
45 DL PAUL FATH	6-3	260	NEW BRIGHTON, PA	PITTSBURGH
46 DE ROBERT LEWIS	6-4	215	WARWICK, NY	SYRACUSE
47 OLB WAYNE HAMPTON	6-3	210	PAULSBORO, NJ	RUTGERS
48 OL KIRK MILLIN	6-6	280	COLUMBUS-WALNUT RIDGE, OH	WEST VIRGINIA
49 DB NATHAN KIRBY	6-0	195	PARKERSBURG, WV	PITTSBURGH
50 FB-DB FRANK ALVERTO	5-11	205	HEDGESVILLE, WV	WEST VIRGINIA

## TOP 50 IN BIG TEN CONFERENCE

1 DL COURTNEY BROWN	6-6	230	MONCKS CORNER-MACEDONIA, SC	PENN STATE
2 DL ERIC JEFFERSON	6-4	260	SHREVEPORT-EVANGEL, LA	ILLINOIS
3 LB ANDY KATZENMOYER	6-4	240	WESTERVILLE-SOUTH, OH	OHIO STATE
4 OL JEFFERSON KELLEY	6-5	300	CINCINNATI-COLERAIN, OH	OHIO STATE
5 WR PLAXICO BURRESS	6-6	210	VIRGINIA BEACH-GREEN RUN, VA	MICHIGAN STATE
6 RB MICHAEL WILEY	6-0	182	SPRING VALLEY-MONTE VISTA, CA	OHIO STATE
7 OL MARQUES SULLIVAN	6-6	300	CHICAGO-FENWICK, IL	ILLINOIS
8 QB RASHARD CASEY	6-3	180	HOBOKEN, NJ	PENN STATE
9 QB JASON KAPSNER	6-6	215	EDEN PRARIE, MN	MICHIGAN
10 RB NIC GOINGS	6-0	195	DUBLIN-SCIOTO, OH	OHIO STATE
11 LB GRADY BROOKS	6-2	220	DALLAS-LINCOLN, TX	MICHIGAN
12 ATH JOE DAWKINS	5-9	180	HACKENSACK, NJ	PENN STATE
13 DB TOMMY HENDRICKS III	6-2	205	ALDINE-EISENHOWER, TX	MICHIGAN
14 DB GARY BERRY	6-1	200	COLUMBUS-DESALES, OH	OHIO STATE
15 FB RON DAYNE	5-11	255	PINE HILL-OVERBROOK, NJ	WISCONSIN
16 OL BILLY BRANN	6-4	280	BLUE SPRINGS-SOUTH, MO	IOWA
17 OL JEFF BACKUS	6-6	260	NORCROSS, GA	MICHIGAN
18 TE MIKE SOLWOLD	6-6	228	ARROWHEAD, WI	WISCONSIN



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19	QB	EARL HANFORD	6-3	215	MARTINSVILLE, IN	INDIANA
20	OL	PAUL TANNIUS	6-5	290	CY CREEK, TX	MICHIGAN
21	ATH	JERRY WESTBROOKS	6-3	215	BOCA RATON-POPE JOHN PAUL, FL	OHIO STATE
22	DB-RB	MIKE BURDEN	6-1	210	PALATINE, IL	OHIO STATE
23	OL	JOEL GRIKOWSKI	6-6	298	SCHOFIELD-EVEREST, WI	WISCONSIN
24	WR	DAVID BOSTON	6-3	200	HUMBLE, TX	OHIO STATE
25	FB	CULLEN BRYANT, JR	6-4	225	GERMANTOWN-HOUSTON, TN	PURDUE
26	FB	SEDRICK IRVIN	6-0	205	MIAMI, FL	MICHIGAN STATE
27	OL	STEVE HUTCHINSON	6-4	280	CORAL SPRINGS, FL	MICHIGAN
28	OL-DL	MARC KIELMEYER	6-6	230	WESTERVILLE-SOUTH, OH	PENN STATE
29	OL	PARIS LONG	6-4	300	COLUMBUS-BEECHCROFT, OH	OHIO STATE
30	DB	NEHEMIAH MINOR	6-1	193	DETROIT-PERSHING, MI	ILLINOIS
31	WR	TITCUS PETTIGREW	6-2	192	CLEMMONS-WEST FORSYTH, NC	PENN STATE
32	DB	YUSUF SHAKIR	6-0	192	TALLAHASSEE-LINCOLN, FL	WISCONSIN
33	DL	ROBARIE SMITH	6-6	235	FLINT-NORTHERN, MI	MICHIGAN STATE
34	LB	ERIC STURDIFEN	6-1	223	RICHMOND-HUGUENOT, VA	PENN STATE
35	WR	DARIK WARWE	6-1	190	STOW-WALSH JESUIT, OH	OHIO STATE
36	WR-DB	SHADRICK WASHINGTON	6-4	210	MILWAUKEE-VINCET, WI	WISCONSIN
37	ATH	GARRETT WATKINS	6-4	205	CORADOPOUS MOON TWP., PA	PENN STATE
38	LB	NAT'L DIGGS	6-4	200	LOS ANGELES-DORSEY, CA	OHIO STATE
39	LB	MAC MORRISON	6-2	218	PORT ORCHARD-S. KITSAP, WA	PENN STATE
39	DL	MARCUS PEREZ	6-4	245	MEDINA, OH	OHIO STATE
40	DL	DAVE BRANDT	6-4	250	JENISON, MI	MICHIGAN
41	OL	IMANI BELL	6-5	310	PHILADELPHIA-DOUGHERTY, PA	PENN STATE
42	DB	LeAUNDRE BROWN	5-11	175	FT. WORTH-WYATT, TX	MICHIGAN
43	WR	JERRY DIONOR	6-3	195	CROWLEY, LA	MICHIGAN
44	OL	DAVE SUCURA	6-5	250	STERLING HTS.-STEVENSON, MI	MICHIGAN STATE
45	OL	KURT MURPHY	6-4	280	COLUMBUS-DeSALES, OH	OHIO STATE
46	TE	MIKE GURR	6-7	250	HAMILTON, OH	OHIO STATE
47	DL	JAVIER COLLINS	6-7	265	ST. PAUL-ST. THOMAS, MN	NORTHWESTERN
48	RB	IAN MILLER	5-10	210	SPRING VALLEY-MONTE VISTA, CA	NORTHWESTERN
49	LB-TE	SKIP MILLER	6-5	215	LAWTON-BRONSON, IA	IOWA
50	DB-RB	AARON GATTEN	6-1	200	WASHINGTON, PA	PENN STATE

## TOP 50 IN BIG TWELVE CONFERENCE

1	RB	ELIJAH BURKINS	5-9	185	PORT ARTHUR-JEFFERSON, TX	BAYLOR
2	QB	ODELL JAMES	6-4	190	ALDINE-McARTHUR, TX	BAYLOR
3	DB-RB	RALPH BROWN, II	5-11	180	LA PUENTE-BISHOP AMAT, CA	NEBRASKA
5	ATH	TYSON WILSON	5-1	205	DALLAS-KIMBALL, TX	BAYLOR
6	DB-RB	ROBERT POLLARD	6-2	205	ORANGE PARK, FL	NEBRASKA
7	RB	DEANGELO EVANS	5-10	210	WICHITA-COLLEGIATE, KS	NEBRASKA
8	OL	CHRIS VALLETTA	6-4	295	PLANO, TX	TEXAS A&M
9	ATH	BRANDON DANIELS	6-0	180	ADA, OK	OKLAHOMA
10	DL	CEDRIC WOODARD	6-4	270	SWEENEY, TX	TEXAS
11	LB	EDDORICK BROOKS	6-3	225	ALDINE, TX	BAYLOR
12	OL	JESSIE WARREN	6-4	250	DALLAS-CARTER, TX	COLORADO
13	DL	WILL GOODLOE	5-5	255	SPRING VALLEY-MONTE VISTA, CA	TEXAS
14	DL	STEVE WILLIAMS	6-4	255	SAPULPA, OK	OKLAHOMA
15	RB	DARREN DAVIS	5-9	175	MIAMI-SOUTHBRIDGE, FL	IOWA STATE
16	OL	RICHARD LAND	6-8	290	BRENTWOOD-ACADEMY, TN	TEXAS
17	LB	BUBBA ALEXANDER	6-3	195	SHREVEPORT-EVANGEL, LA	TEXAS A&M
18	DL	CORNELIUS BURTON	6-6	240	HOUSTON-LAMAR, TX	OKLAHOMA
19	OL	GREG ROBINSON	6-6	303	LaMARQUE, TX	OKLAHOMA
20	OL	DENISHO COOK	6-4	280	STILLWATER, OK	OKLAHOMA STATE
21	DB	J.R. EDWARDS	6-2	180	LINCOLN-SOUTHEAST, NE	NEBRASKA
22	ATH	MIKE WOODS	5-10	170	DEL CITY, OK	OKLAHOMA
23	LB	GEORGE GUIDRY	6-3	225	LAKE CHARLES-WASH-MARION, LA	NEBRASKA
24	DL	CASEY HAMPTON	6-1	300	GALVESTON-BALL, TX	TEXAS
25	RB	DARRELL BUSH	5-10	180	JERSEY VILLAGE, TX	BAYLOR
26	RB	TONY ELLIS	6-0	195	BROWNSVILLE-HANNA, TX	TEXAS
27	ATH	MARCUS STIGGERS	5-7	170	RICHARDSON-LAKE HIGHLAND, TX	COLORADO
28	DL	STEVE WARREN	6-2	298	SPRINGFIELD-KICKAPOO, MO	NEBRASKA
29	QB	JONATHAN BEASLEY	6-1	211	GLENDAL-CACTUS, AZ	KANSAS STATE
30	LB	ODELL GEORGE	6-2	205	RANCHO BUENA VISTA, CA	COLORADO
31	DB	JOHN GIBSON	6-1	175	PAPILLION, NE	NEBRASKA
32	OL	JOE D. HUBBARD	6-5	285	HOOKS, TX	TEXAS
33	DL	SEAN JARNE	6-5	255	ANAHEIM-ESPERANZA, CA	COLORADO
34	DL-LB	IAN LOPER	6-5	230	SAN DIEGO-PT. LOMA, CA	COLORADO
35	OL	ROGER ROESLER	6-6	305	ROUND ROCK, TX	TEXAS
36	LB	CHRIS THIERRY	6-2	225	BAYTOWN-LEE, TX	TEXAS A&M
37	OL	ANDY VINCENT	6-5	280	SULPHUR, LA	TEXAS A&M
38	WR	JAVON GREEN	6-4	203	INGLEWOOD, CA	COLORADO
39	DL	DERRICK CURRY	6-4	265	HOUSTON-JONES, TX	TEXAS
40	TE	RO'DERRICK BROUGHTON	6-3	230	MONROE-NEVILLE, LA	TEXAS A&M
41	FB-LB	DANIEL ALEXANDER	6-2	230	WENTZVILLE, MO	NEBRASKA
42	DE	RYAN ALLEN	6-4	252	ENID, OK	OKLAHOMA
43	TE	MATT ANDERSON	6-4	230	MOORE, OK	OKLAHOMA
44	RB	ARLAND BRUCE	5-10	175	OLATHE-NORTH, KS	KANSAS
45	DB	ELAN EDWARDS	6-1	175	BOULDER, CO	COLORADO
46	OL	ROBERT HAAS	6-4	230	BOULDER-FAIRVIEW, CO	COLORADO
47	OL	ADAM HOTZ	6-3	270	PAPILLION-LA VISTA, NE	KANSAS
48	ATH	TONY LINDSAY	6-2	185	DENVER-JEFFERSON, CO	OKLAHOMA STATE
49	WR-LB	JOSH TAFT	6-4	230	PLANO-EAST, TX	TEXAS
50	WR-LB	MARCUS WILLIAMS	6-4	230	BERKELEY, CA	COLORADO

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1	WR	KENNETH DAVIS	6-0	185	HOUSTON-WASHINGTON, TX	HOUSTON
2	DL	JEROME KING	6-4	245	WEST MONROE, LA	SOUTHERN MISS
3	OL	MARCUS SANDERS	6-4	245	MESQUITE, TX	HOUSTON
4	WR	DAMIAN DODSON	5-9	165	MEMPHIS-WESTWOOD, TN	MEMPHIS
5	RB	KETRIC SANFORD	5-9	185	CORSICANA, TX	HOUSTON
6	DL	CHRIS ANDERSON	6-3	285	MARRERO-EHRET, LA	TULANE
7	OL	RYAN HENDRICKSON	6-5	295	ARLINGTON-MARTIN, TX	HOUSTON
8	OL	SHEDDRICK BLACKMON	6-5	285	PENSACOLA-ESCAMBIA, FL	SOUTHERN MISS
9	QB	KENTON EVANS	6-4	180	MEMPHIS-WESTWOOD, TN	MEMPHIS
10	RB-DB	TEOFILO RILEY	6-2	195	MEMPHIS-CENTRAL, TN	MEMPHIS
11	DL	ANTHONY BONNER	6-4	265	LOUISVILLE-CENTRAL, KY	LOUISVILLE
12	DB	RASHAD HOLMAN	6-0	175	LOUISVILLE-MALE, KY	LOUISVILLE
13	DB	COREY BRADSHAW	6-1	195	MESQUITE, TX	HOUSTON
14	LB	DERRICK KENNEDY	6-4	230	BOWLING GREEN, KY	LOUISVILLE
15	DB	MARCUS SMITH	5-11	175	DALLAS-CARTER, TX	HOUSTON
16	OL-DL	BERNARD ROBERTSON	6-4	265	NEW ORLEANS-KARR, LA	TULANE
17	QB	JEFF MCCOOL	6-3	225	PALATKA, FL	CINCINNATI
18	DL	JOE O'SHAUGNESSY	6-2	265	COLUMBUS-WATTS, OH	LOUISVILLE
19	WR	JERRIAN JAMES	6-1	175	GALVESTON-BALL, TX	HOUSTON
20	LB	MATT SEXTON	6-3	225	FERGUSON-SOUTHWESTERN, KY	LOUISVILLE
21	WR	LAVELL BOYD	6-4	190	LOUISVILLE-DOSS, KY	LOUISVILLE
22	QB	TONY BELLAMY	6-3	197	MELBOURNE-EAU GALLEE, FL	LOUISVILLE
23	WR	YEASIE WARE	6-6	185	EUFALA, AL	LOUISVILLE
24	DL	MIKE KNEPPER	6-2	260	GARLAND, TX	HOUSTON
25	LB	CORY GREEN	6-2	230	CECILIA, LA	TULANE
26	OL	JOSH LOVELADY	6-3	310	TIDEHAVEN, TX	HOUSTON
27	ATH	TY TRAHAN	6-1	210	PEARL RIVER-CENTRAL, MS	SOUTHERN MISS
28	TE	MIKE TURNER	6-3	240	SPRING-KLEIN OAK, TX	TULANE
29	QB	JASON MCKINLEY	6-3	200	AUSTIN-WESTWOOD, TX	HOUSTON
30	RB-DB	COREY CRUME	6-2	215	LEBANON-MARION CO., KY	LOUISVILLE
31	LB	DERIC SCOTT	6-3	220	MONROEVILLE-MONROE CO., AL	SOUTHERN MISS
32	LB	ERIC SCOTT	6-1	230	MONROEVILLE-MONROE CO., AL	SOUTHERN MISS
33	ATH	TENDAI CHARASIKA	5-7	180	LOUISVILLE-ST. XAVIER, KY	LOUISVILLE
34	RB	DWAYNE TAYLOR	5-11	185	BAY MINETTE-BALDWIN CO., AL	LOUISVILLE
35	OL	JOHN MIX	6-2	292	GEORGE CO., MS	SOUTHERN MISS
36	TE	SCOTT REGIMBALD	6-2	215	MONTREAL-CHAMPLAIN, QUE	HOUSTON
37	LB	ZAID HOUSTON	6-2	195	BOGLUSA, LA	SOUTHERN MISS
38	OL	KEVIN LUTTRELL	6-6	240	BRENTWOOD-ACADEMY, TN	MEMPHIS
39	OL	TODD OWEN	6-3	275	CARRIERE-PEARL RIVER, MS	SOUTHERN MISS
40	DB	NOEL ELLIS	6-3	210	NEW ORLEANS-KARR, LA	TULANE
41	DB	WILLIAM FIELDS	5-10	170	COPPERAS COVE, TX	HOUSTON
42	LB	CRAIG GOTCHER	6-3	238	DETROIT-CHADSEY, MI	LOUISVILLE
43	OL	BRAD McFARLAND	6-6	260	KLEIN, TX	TULANE
44	OL	AUSTIN O'DELL	6-5	260	MEMPHIS-WESTWOOD, TN	MEMPHIS
45	WR	DENNISON ROBINSON	6-2	176	MOBILE-MURPHY, AL	SOUTHERN MISS
46	TE	MITCH MOUTON	6-5	225	KAPLAN, LA	TULANE
47	DB	JERRY PHILLIPS	5-11	187	NEW ORLEANS-KARR, LA	TULANE
48	RB	TERRANCE PARRISH	5-10	175	THEODORE, AL	SOUTHERN MISS
49	DE	GERALD MUMFORD	6-3	225	JACKSON-CALLAWAY, MS	SOUTHERN MISS
50	DB	JAMIE JONES	6-4	180	LAUREL-NORTHEAST, MS	MEMPHIS

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1	OL	TRAVIS CLARIDGE	6-6	300	FT. VANCOUVER, WA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
2	WR	LaCOREY COLLINS	6-4	208	OAKLAND-SKYLINE, CA	OREGON
3	LB	JEREMIAH PHARMS	6-3	220	SACRAMENTO-VALLEY, CA	WASHINGTON
4	WR	STAN GUYNES	6-3	175	LOS ALAMITOS, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
5	LB	CHRIS CLAIRBORNE	6-4	225	RIVERSIDE-NORTH, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
6	QB	RYAN KEALY	6-2	198	PHOENIX-SAINT MARYLAND'S, AZ	ARIZONA STATE
7	QB	MIKE VAN RAAPHORST	6-5	215	LA MESA-HELIX, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
8	RB	TED IACENDA	6-1	225	NEWHALL-HART, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
9	RB	DURELL PRICE	6-1	222	SYLMAR, CA	UCLA
10	WR	TONY HARTLEY	6-2	180	LOS ALAMITOS, CA	OREGON
11	DL	ENNIS DAVIS	6-5	295	RESEDA, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
12	ATH	ORTEGE JENKINS	6-3	210	LONG BEACH-JORDAN, CA	ARIZONA
13	TE	STEVE COUGHLIN	6-5	225	ANSONIA, CT	STANFORD
14	WR	R. JAY SOWARD	5-11	165	FONTANA, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
15	RB-DB	CURTIS WILLIAMS	5-10	180	FRESNO-BULLARD, CA	WASHINGTON
16	OL	CHAD WARD	6-6	310	KENNEWICK-RIVERVIEW, WA	WASHINGTON
17	RB	LEON CALLEN	5-11	180	CONCORD-DeLaSALLE, CA	ARIZONA
18	QB	A.J. FEELEY	6-5	195	ONTARIO, OR	OREGON
19	OL	FAE'AESMA MAILLO	6-4	300	HONOLULU-KAHUKU, HI	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
20	DL-LB	RASHAAN DAVIS	6-6	290	LOS ALAMITOS, CA	CALIFORNIA
21	DL	T.J. JACKSON	6-3	240	LOMPOC, CA	WASHINGTON
22	DL	JOSHUA WEBB	6-6	268	TURLOCK, CA	UCLA
23	DL	MICAH WEBB	6-5	270	TURLOCK, CA	UCLA
24	DB	DAMIAN ALLEN	5-10	170	LaVERNE-DAMIAN, CA	UCLA
25	WR	MANUEL AUSTIN	6-2	180	LOS GATOS, CA	WASHINGTON
26	DB	JASON BELL	6-2	175	LONG BEACH-MILLIKAN, CA	UCLA
27	TE	GABE CRECION	6-5	225	WEST HILLS-CHAMINADE, CA	UCLA
28	DB	DAVID GIBSON	6-2	200	SANTA ANA-MATER DEI, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA



29	OL	JOEL SUGG	6-6	260	IRVINE, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	4	QB	CHRIS SANDERS	6-1	205	FLOWER MOUND-MARCUS, TX	SMU
30	DB	COREY HENDERSON	6-1	190	MARRERO-EHRET, LA	ARIZONA	5	DB	REGGIE HUNT	6-0	195	DENISON, TX	TCU
31	OL	MIKE WHITCANACK	6-6	275	SARATOGA, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	6	RB	MARTY GRAHAM	5-9	180	TORREY PINES, CA	SAN DIEGO ST.
32	QB	DYLAN AQUINO	6-2	200	LOS ALTOS, CA	UCLA	7	QB	DARNELL ARCENEUX	6-3	180	HONOLULU-ST. LOUIS, HI	UTAH
33	DE-LB	THABETI LOCKHART	6-3	245	OAKLAND-FREMONT, CA	CALIFORNIA	8	ATH	RONNEY JENKINS	5-11	170	OXNARD-HUENEME, CA	BYU
34	RB	KEITH BROWN	6-0	205	PHOENIX-MT. POINT, AZ	UCLA	9	RB	AKKAAR MOSES	5-11	230	LONG BEACH-POLY, CA	FRESNO STATE
35	DL-OL	SAM BENNER	6-4	245	SANTA PAULA-ST. BONAVENTURE, CA	STANFORD	10	RB	JONATHAN FRYER	5-11	175	SAN ANTONIO-EAST CENTRAL, TX	NEW MEXICO
36	OL	MATT FRAIZE	6-4	270	SANTA ROSA-NEWMAN, CA	WASHINGTON	11	DL	BLAINE SAIPAA	6-2	275	OXNARD-CHANNEL ISLAND, CA	COLORADO STATE
37	DE	RIALL JOHNSON	5-3	225	EVERETT-MARINER, WA	STANFORD	12	SS	SHANNON BRAZZIELE	6-0	205	LEWISVILLE, TX	TCU
38	DE	JEREMIAH PARKER	5-5	250	RICHMOND-DeANZA, CA	CALIFORNIA	13	ILB	JASPER ARMSTRONG	6-2	225	AURORA-EAGLECREST, CO	COLORADO STATE
39	LB	SHAHEED SHAMSUD-DIN	6-3	235	LOS ANGELES-VERBUM DEI, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	14	DL	HANS OLSEN	6-4	262	WEISER, ID	BYU
40	OL-OL	PAT SMITH	6-5	270	LA MESA-HELIX, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	15	OL	JOHN MOALA	6-7	255	CARROLTON-SMITH, TX	BYU
41	LB	JASON STEEN	6-3	210	GARDENA-SERRA, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	16	RB	RODNIK PHILLIPS	6-0	200	GALVESTON-O'CONNELL, TX	SMU
42	LB	ANSELMO ZAMANO	6-2	220	FONTANA, CA	UCLA	17	DB	JAMARCUS POWERS	5-10	165	LaMARQUE, TX	TCU
43	NG	DARCEY AFUNAI	6-2	280	OGDEN-BONNEVILLE, UT	OREGON	18	QB	JAY STONER	6-2	195	COLORADO SPRINGS-MITCHELL, CO	WYOMING
44	WR-DB	TROY GARNER	6-2	189	SHERMAN OAKS-NOTRE DAME, CA	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	19	QB	CLOIS TAYLOR	6-2	200	DALLAS-SPRUCE, TX	SMU
45	LB	STEPHEN TREJO	6-3	230	CASA GRANDE, AZ	ARIZONA STATE	20	RB	LYDELL BURSTON	5-11	175	SAN DIEGO-MORSE, CA	SAN DIEGO ST.
46	ATH	JUNIOR BRIGNAC	6-3	177	RESEDA-CLEVELAND, CA	WASHINGTON	21	ATH	RANDY BLACK	6-0	180	LAS VEGAS-CLARK, NV	UNLV
47	RB	JASON COOPER	5-11	210	OAKLAND-SKYLINE, CA	OREGON	22	WR	NIN BURNS	5-10	180	COVINA, CA	UTAH
48	QB	TERRY HESS	6-2	185	TEMISCAL CYN, CA	CALIFORNIA	23	DB	TY GRAYSON	6-1	180	FRESNO-EDISON, CA	FRESNO STATE
49	RB-LB	MAURICE SHAW	6-1	205	SACRAMENTO-EL CAMINO, CA	WASHINGTON	24	RB	ELZIE JOHNSON	5-11	180	CROSBY, TX	UTEP
50	OL	DOMINIC DASTE	6-4	305	LaVERNE-DAMIEN, CA	WASHINGTON	25	OL	JON SAMUELSON	6-5	285	CONROE-McCULLOUGH, TX	NEW MEXICO
							26	OL	SHANNON PETERSON	6-8	260	ADAIR, OK	TULSA
							27	RB-DB	J' SHARLOE JONES	5-9	180	OAKLAND-SKYLINE, CA	COLORADO STATE
							28	RB	KEVIN ISHAM	6-2	215	FREDERICK, OK	TULSA
							29	ATH	JOE HARRIS	5-10	175	LAKEWOOD, CA	SAN DIEGO ST.
							30	OL	BEN ARCHIBALD	6-5	280	SEASIDE, OR	BYU
							31	DL-OL	JUSTIN BORVANSKY	6-2	265	THORTON-HORIZON, CO	COLORADO STATE
							32	WR	TERRANCE BROWN	6-1	176	MENLO-ATHERTO, CA	FRESNO STATE
							33	OL	JEFF ERKLEBEN	6-5	270	ROLLING HILLS-PENISULA, CA	SMU
							34	RB	ANDY ORD	6-1	190	LA JOLLA-TORREY PINES, CA	BYU
							35	FB-LB	BROCK DIEDIKER	6-3	225	NEWBURY PARK, CA	BYU
							36	LB	BRANT DIEDIKER	6-2	215	NEWBURY PARK, CA	BYU
							37	LB	QUINCY LINFORD	6-3	210	BRAZOSWOOD, TX	TCU
							38	WR-DB	TAIROU SMITH	5-8	160	INGLEWOOD, CA	SAN DIEGO ST.
							39	OL	KEVIN HUGHES	6-6	300	DENVER-HERITAGE, CO	WYOMING
							40	LB-FB	MARQUES ROBINSON	6-0	195	INGLEWOOD, CA	UNLV
							41	OL	MATT VALLERY	6-4	280	STOCKTON-LINCOLN, CA	FRESNO STATE
							42	LB	MAUGALLA TUTELE	6-3	215	SAN BERNARDINO-PACIFIC, CA	COLORADO STATE
							43	DL-OL	CHRIS WATKINS	6-3	259	GILBERT-HIGHLAND, AZ	BYU
							44	LB	MATT WARD	6-4	210	LaVERNE-DAMIEN, CA	UNLV
							45	LB	LIKAWI MALAKI	6-1	220	LOS ANGELES-DORSEY, CA	HAWAII
							46	DB	SHAUN HASLIP	5-10	180	PASADENA-MUIR, CA	UNLV
							47	DL-OL	JUSTIN CONWAY	6-2	250	MODESTO-DAVIS, CA	UNLV
							48	OL	FRANK ALVAREZ	6-5	240	LOS ANGELES-BANNING, CA	COLORADO STATE
							49	RB	PAUL XOURAFAX	6-2	206	PEORIA, AZ	WYOMING
							50	TE	CHRIS ALEX	6-4	240	FONTANA, CA	FRESNO STATE

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1	QB	TIM COUCH	6-5	210	HYDEN-LESLIE CO, KY	KENTUCKY	1	QB	TIM COUCH	6-5	210	HYDEN-LESLIE CO, KY	KENTUCKY
2	RB	PATRICK PASS	6-0	205	TUCKER, GA	GEORGIA	2	RB	PATRICK PASS	6-0	205	TUCKER, GA	GEORGIA
3	DB	DWAYNE GOODRICH	6-0	177	OAK LAWN-RICHARDS, IL	TENNESSEE	3	DB	DWAYNE GOODRICH	6-0	177	OAK LAWN-RICHARDS, IL	TENNESSEE
4	TE	RUFUS FRENCH	6-5	224	AMORY, MS	MISSISSIPPI	4	TE	RUFUS FRENCH	6-5	224	AMORY, MS	MISSISSIPPI
5	DB	ROLAND BAILEY	6-1	171	FOLKSTON-CHARLTON CO., GA	GEORGIA	5	DB	ROLAND BAILEY	6-1	171	FOLKSTON-CHARLTON CO., GA	GEORGIA
6	RB-DB	DAYMON CARROLL	5-11	180	NORRISTOWN, PA	FLORIDA	6	RB-DB	DAYMON CARROLL	5-11	180	NORRISTOWN, PA	FLORIDA
7	OL	ALCENDER JACKSON	6-4	310	MOSS POINT, MS	LSU	7	OL	ALCENDER JACKSON	6-4	310	MOSS POINT, MS	LSU
8	DL	THADDEUS BULLARD	6-5	247	LIVE OAK-SUWANNEE, FL	FLORIDA	8	DL	THADDEUS BULLARD	6-5	247	LIVE OAK-SUWANNEE, FL	FLORIDA
9	RB	VERNON MAXWELL	6-3	205	MIDWEST CITY, OK	TENNESSEE	9	RB	VERNON MAXWELL	6-3	205	MIDWEST CITY, OK	TENNESSEE
10	PK-P	COURTNEY LEAVITT	6-0	210	GERMANTOWN, TN	SOUTH CAROLINA	10	PK-P	COURTNEY LEAVITT	6-0	210	GERMANTOWN, TN	SOUTH CAROLINA
11	RB	CECIL COLLINS	5-10	200	LEESVILLE, LA	LSU	11	RB	CECIL COLLINS	5-10	200	LEESVILLE, LA	LSU
12	QB	TAMAUURICE MARTIN	6-4	190	MOBILE-WILLIAMSON, AL	TENNESSEE	12	QB	TAMAUURICE MARTIN	6-4	190	MOBILE-WILLIAMSON, AL	TENNESSEE
13	DE	SHAUN ELLIS	6-5	230	ANDERSON-WESTSIDE, SC	TENNESSEE	13	DE	SHAUN ELLIS	6-5	230	ANDERSON-WESTSIDE, SC	TENNESSEE
14	DB-WR	GERALD GRIFFIN	6-2	170	MURFREESBORO-RIVERDALE, TN	TENNESSEE	14	DB-WR	GERALD GRIFFIN	6-2	170	MURFREESBORO-RIVERDALE, TN	TENNESSEE
15	DL	KENNY SMITH	6-7	265	STEVENSON-N. JACKSON, AL	ALABAMA	15	DL	KENNY SMITH	6-7	265	STEVENSON-N. JACKSON, AL	ALABAMA
16	TE	DWIGHT EDGE	6-5	220	APOPKA, FL	FLORIDA	16	TE	DWIGHT EDGE	6-5	220	APOPKA, FL	FLORIDA
17	WR	JERMALE KELLY	6-2	170	GREENVILLE-BEREA, SC	SOUTH CAROLINA	17	WR	JERMALE KELLY	6-2	170	GREENVILLE-BEREA, SC	SOUTH CAROLINA
18	DL	MARCUS STROUD	6-6	290	QUITMAN-BROOKS CO., GA	GEORGIA	18	DL	MARCUS STROUD	6-6	290	QUITMAN-BROOKS CO., GA	GEORGIA
19	OL	ZAC ZEDALIS	6-4	280	ALACHUA-SANTA FE, FL	FLORIDA	19	OL	ZAC ZEDALIS	6-4	280	ALACHUA-SANTA FE, FL	FLORIDA
20	ATH	BRYAN SMITH	6-4	205	TATUM, TX	ARKANSAS	20	ATH	BRYAN SMITH	6-4	205	TATUM, TX	ARKANSAS
21	DE	DERRICK CHAMBERS	6-4	238	BURNS, NC	FLORIDA	21	DE	DERRICK CHAMBERS	6-4	238	BURNS, NC	FLORIDA
22	ATH	TELLIE EMBERY	6-2	200	SYLACAUGA-COMER, AL	AUBURN	22	ATH	TELLIE EMBERY	6-2	200	SYLACAUGA-COMER, AL	AUBURN
23	WR	DAVID HILL	6-3	188	EUFAULA, AL	AUBURN	23	WR	DAVID HILL	6-3	188	EUFAULA, AL	AUBURN
24	DE	BUCK GURLEY	6-4	236	TALLAHASSEE-GOOBY, FL	FLORIDA	24	DE	BUCK GURLEY	6-4	236	TALLAHASSEE-GOOBY, FL	FLORIDA
25	WR	TIM BOWENS	6-2	196	KILLEN-BROOKS, AL	ALABAMA	25	WR	TIM BOWENS	6-2	196	KILLEN-BROOKS, AL	ALABAMA
26	QB	BEN LEARD	6-4	215	HARTWELL-HART CO., GA	AUBURN	26	QB	BEN LEARD	6-4	215	HARTWELL-HART CO., GA	AUBURN
27	LB	DARRELL OWENS	6-0	215	JACKSON-PROVINE, MS	FLORIDA	27	LB	DARRELL OWENS	6-0	215	JACKSON-PROVINE, MS	FLORIDA
28	DL	JOHNNY MITCHELL	6-5	280	MARRERO-EHRET, LA	LSU	28	DL	JOHNNY MITCHELL	6-5	280	MARRERO-EHRET, LA	LSU
29	OL-OL	COLIN SEARS	6-4	280	RUSSELLVILLE, AL	AUBURN	29	OL-OL	COLIN SEARS	6-4	280	RUSSELLVILLE, AL	AUBURN
30	OL	TOBY CHAMPION	6-5	285	HUMBOLT, TN	TENNESSEE	30	OL	TOBY CHAMPION	6-5	285	HUMBOLT, TN	TENNESSEE
31	DL-OL	NIKIA TAYLOR	6-3	270	BARNWELL, SC	SOUTH CAROLINA	31	DL-OL	NIKIA TAYLOR	6-3	270	BARNWELL, SC	SOUTH CAROLINA
32	DB	DEREK EDMONDS	5-10	180	TAMPA-HILLSBOROUGH, FL	TENNESSEE	32	DB	DEREK EDMONDS	5-10	180	TAMPA-HILLSBOROUGH, FL	TENNESSEE
33	K	DAVID LEAVERTON	6-4	200	MIDLAND, TX	TENNESSEE	33	K	DAVID LEAVERTON	6-4	200	MIDLAND, TX	TENNESSEE
34	DB	CORY ROBINSON	5-11	180	TUCKER, GA	GEORGIA	34	DB	CORY ROBINSON	5-11	180	TUCKER, GA	GEORGIA
35	LB	ANDRE OFFING	6-3	224	HOUSTON, TX	SOUTH CAROLINA	35	LB	ANDRE OFFING	6-3	224	HOUSTON, TX	SOUTH CAROLINA
36	DL-OL	BRENT MUELLER	6-4	255	FAIRFAX-ROBINSON SECONDARY, VA	AUBURN	36	DL-OL	BRENT MUELLER	6-4	255	FAIRFAX-ROBINSON SECONDARY, VA	AUBURN
37	QB	DOUG JOHNSON	6-4	195	GAINESVILLE-BUCHOLZ, FL	FLORIDA	37	QB	DOUG JOHNSON	6-4	195	GAINESVILLE-BUCHOLZ, FL	FLORIDA
38	QB	MIKE USRY	6-4	209	TALLAHASSEE-N. FL. CHRIST., FL	GEORGIA	38	QB	MIKE USRY	6-4	209	TALLAHASSEE-N. FL. CHRIST., FL	GEORGIA
39	DL-OL	JAMIE CARTER	6-4	285	PHILADELPHIA-NESHOBA CENT., MS	ALABAMA	39	DL-OL	JAMIE CARTER	6-4	285	PHILADELPHIA-NESHOBA CENT., MS	ALABAMA
40	FB	JACOB BUSH	6-0	230	JACKSONVILLE-FIRST COAST, FL	SOUTH CAROLINA	40	FB	JACOB BUSH	6-0	230	JACKSONVILLE-FIRST COAST, FL	SOUTH CAROLINA
41	DL	DERRION YATES	6-7	235	HOUSTON-WASHINGTON, TX	LSU	41	DL	DERRION YATES	6-7	235	HOUSTON-WASHINGTON, TX	LSU
42	WR	MICHAEL WILLIAMS	6-0	180	BASTROP, LA	ARKANSAS	42	WR	MICHAEL WILLIAMS	6-0	180	BASTROP, LA	ARKANSAS
43	DL	CECIL CALDWELL	6-3	250	NEWBERRY, SC	SOUTH CAROLINA	43	DL	CECIL CALDWELL	6-3	250	NEWBERRY, SC	SOUTH CAROLINA
44	LB-RB	JEFF CHANEY	6-1	210	LAKE WALES, FL	SOUTH CAROLINA	44	LB-RB	JEFF CHANEY	6-1	210	LAKE WALES, FL	SOUTH CAROLINA
45	LB	ROBBY STATEN	6-0	240	PEARL, MS	ALABAMA	45	LB	ROBBY STATEN	6-0	240	PEARL, MS	ALABAMA
46	LB	RAYNOCH THOMPSON	6-3	211	NEW ORLEANS-ST. AUGUSTINE, LA	TENNESSEE	46	LB	RAYNOCH THOMPSON	6-3	211	NEW ORLEANS-ST. AUGUSTINE, LA	TENNESSEE
47	DL	ANTHONY OVERSTREET	6-3	235	ATLANTA-DOUGLASS, GA	SOUTH CAROLINA	47	DL	ANTHONY OVERSTREET	6-3	235	ATLANTA-DOUGLASS, GA	SOUTH CAROLINA
48	RB	CHRYIS CHUKWUMA	6-2	215	MONTGOMERY-LANIER, AL	ARKANSAS	48	RB	CHRYIS CHUKWUMA	6-2	215	MONTGOMERY-LANIER, AL	ARKANSAS
49	LB	BRANDON MATTHEWS	6-3	240	NEW ORLEANS-CARVER, LA	LSU	49	LB	BRANDON MATTHEWS	6-3	240	NEW ORLEANS-CARVER, LA	LSU
50	LB	CARLTON, BEXLEY	6-1	240	CARROLLTON, GA	ARKANSAS	50	LB	CARLTON, BEXLEY	6-1	240	CARROLLTON, GA	ARKANSAS

## TOP 50 IN WESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

1	QB	KEVIN FETERIK	6-2	195	LOS ALAMITOS, CA	BYU
2	RB-DB	WILL SNOWDEN	5-11	200	BOULDER, CO	BYU
3	QB	BRETT ENGENMANN	6-4	220	PROVO-TIMPVUE, UT	BYU



# TOP HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

## TOP BLUE CHIPS IN NORTHEAST

### QUARTERBACKS

DAN ELLIS	6-3	215	DOWNTOWN, PA
MIKE GAYDOSZ	6-1	190	ELWOOD CITY-RIVERSIDE, PA
JEFF PIERCE	6-4	190	BRICK MEMORIAL, NJ
MADEI WILLIAMS	6-3	188	PITTSBURGH-WOODLAND HILLINOISS, PA
BRIAN WILSON	6-1	190	ST. MARYLAND'S-LYNN, MA

### RUNNING BACKS

LAVRAR ARRINGTON	6-3	225	PITTSBURGH-NORTH HILLINOISS, PA
KEVIN BARLOW	6-1	215	PITTSBURGH-PEABODY, PA
ANTHONY BOGAN	6-1	210	PASSAIC, NJ
COREY BROWN	5-8	160	TRENTON, NJ
MARCUS COLES	6-2	235	BUFFALO-TURNER-CARROLL, NY
CARLOS DANIELS	6-1	210	FARRELL, SC
SEAN FISHER	5-11	175	VALLEY VIEW, PA
NILES GERRY	6-3	230	PAWLING, NY
DARRELL GLOVER	6-0	180	ELIZABETH, NJ
KENNY HARRIS	5-10	185	BUFFALO-ST. JOSEPH'S, NY
HAROLD JACKSON	6-2	225	WILKES-BARRE-G.A.R. MEMPHIS, PA
ISSAC JACKSON	6-2	175	CONCORDSVILLE-NOISE-GLEN MILLINOISS, PA
MIKE LEWIS	6-0	175	JERSEY CITY-LINCOLN, NJ
NICK MARTIN	6-1	220	SCITUATE, MA
RICK MENDENHALL	6-1	218	YARDELEY-FENNSBURG, PA
JAMES MUNRO	5-9	190	EAST STROUDSBURG, PA
JASON MURRAY	6-2	220	BELLE VERNON, PA
DAMON RAY	6-2	170	MOORESTOWN, NJ
KEVIN SINCLAIR	5-9	185	OCEAN CITY, NJ
VICTOR STRADER	5-10	170	PITTSBURGH-PENN HILLS, PA
TERRY STRICKLAND	6-1	205	PROVIDENCE, RI
LOFTON THOMPSON	6-2	192	
STAN WILLIS	6-2	180	PENNSAUKEN-BISHOP EUSTACE, NJ
STEVEN WILLIAMS	6-1	195	PATERSON-KENNEDY, NJ

### WIDE RECEIVERS

WILLIBATTLE	6-3	185	SENECA FALLS-MYNDERSE ACAD., NY
LEE CARMICHAEL	6-4	190	GLOUCESTER-CATHOLIC, NJ
JEREMY COOPER	6-0	160	KINGSWAY, NJ
DAVE DAVIS	6-1	170	SYRACUSE-HENNINGER, NY
SALEEM DEBMAN	5-11	165	PHILADELPHIA-FRANKFORD, PA
DUSHAWN DORSEY	6-3	170	SOMERVILLE, NJ
DELTRIC FLETCHER	6-2	178	PITTSBURGH-WOODLAND HILLS, PA
ED GIDDINGS	6-2	175	PHILADELPHIA-UNIVERSITY CITY, PA
CHRIS HARRIS	6-2	200	BEDFORD, MA
QUENTON HARRIS	6-1	180	WILKES-BARRE-MEYERS, PA
NATHYIA JACKSON	6-3	190	BUFFALO-RIVERSIDE, NY
JAMIL JACOBS	5-11	160	TEANECK, NJ
JEFF LOVE	5-10	165	CAMDEN-WILSON, NJ
RICK MOORE	5-11	175	PROSPECT PARK-INTERBORO, PA
KYLE PITTS	6-2	205	HARRISBURG, PA

### TIGHT ENDS

JASON CIPOT	6-7	230	NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ
RAYMOND FEARSTER	6-3	235	PHILADELPHIA-MASTBAUM, PA
JEFF GROSS	6-5	240	NEWTOWN-COUNCIL ROCK, PA
BILLINOISY HAGAN	6-4	225	GLOUCESTER CITY, NJ
DWIGHT MAJETTE	6-3	225	NEW BEDFORD, MA

### OFFENSIVE LINEMEN

JOHN AHERN	6-4	265	ROCHESTER-ATHENA, NY
MARTIN BIBLA	6-4	275	CRESTWOOD, PA
JASON BISSON	6-8	270	UPPER ST. CLAIR, PA
MIKE CALLAHAN	6-3	250	BELMONT HILLINOISS, MA
NICK CANNON	6-5	265	NEW CASTLE, PA
JORDAN CARUSO	6-4	260	MEDFORD LAKES-SHAWNEE, NJ
TOM COURY	6-4	280	NATRONA HTS-HIGHLANDS, PA
ANTHONY DARROW	6-6	305	SYRACUSE-FOWLER, NY
MATT DEAMARES	6-6	325	LOWELL, MA
JEFF HINSON	6-4	285	MEDFORD-LENAPE, NJ
LEE HUNTER	6-5	280	MOUNT PLEASANT, PA
RANDY JOHNSON	6-2	265	PATERSON-KENNEDY, NJ
MIKE JULIANO	6-3	265	PASSAIC VALLEY, NJ
JOHN KUSHMEK	6-5	315	PENNSAUKEN, NJ
TIM MCGOWAN	6-7	285	TOMS RIVER-NORTH, NJ
KAREEM MCKENZIE	6-6	310	WILLINGBORO, NJ
JOSH MITCHELL	6-5	283	BUCKINGHAM-C. BUCKS EAST, PA
TODD MOSSA	6-4	285	DARIEN, CT
UFONA PELE	6-3	240	CHERRY HILLS-EAST, NJ
BRIAN RATICA	6-6	285	GREATER LATROBE, PA
JEROME ROBERTSON	6-4	260	BUFFALO-CLEVELAND, NY
TIM SAMPLE	6-3	250	FALMOUTH, MA
MARTY WENSEL	6-4	260	NORTHERN LEHIGH, PA
DUANE WOODALL	6-4	260	BALDWINSVILLE, NY

### DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

JOE HAYES	6-4	275	MT. HOLLY-RANCOAS VALLEY, NJ
RON HEADON	6-5	280	CAMDEN-WILSON, NJ
DERRICK JONES	6-3	255	COMSEWOQUE, NY
DAMIEN MALLERY	6-3	215	SYRACUSE-HENNINGER, NY

NATE RITZENHALER	6-3	240	MATIGNON, MA
RYAN SHERRY	6-4	245	MEDFORD LAKES-SHAWNEE, NJ
MEL SPICER	6-4	230	NEWARK, NJ

### LINEBACKERS

RASHAD DRAYTON	6-2	210	NEWTON-NORTH, MA
RON GRAHAM	6-3	230	PITTSBURGH-PENN HILLS, PA
BARRIS GRANT	6-2	225	IRVINGTON, NJ
PERCY HAYES	6-2	215	BERWICK, PA
ERIC JONDRO	6-3	215	FOXBORO, MA
JOE MCKINNEY	6-4	240	MARS, PA
HAKIEM STEWART	6-2	205	ELIZABETH, NJ

### DEFENSIVE BACKS

RAVON ANDERSON	5-9	170	HOBOKEN, NJ
MARCUS BATTLE	5-9	170	NORTH BERGEN, NJ
RON ISRAEL	6-0	180	HADDON HEIGHTS, NJ
DENNIS MARTIN	6-0	195	ANGOLA-LAKE SHORE, NY
TODD PATTERSON	5-9	170	JERSEY CITY-DICKINSON, NJ
MALCOM SINGLETON	5-10	180	NEWARK-BARRINGER, NJ
JOVAN SMITH	5-11	175	SHEA, RI
MICAH WILLIAMS	5-10	170	ORANGE, NJ
CORY WIRE	6-2	205	CAMP HILLS-CLIFF, PA

### PLACEKICKERS

JOE RHODES	5-9	160	HIGHLAND REGIONAL, NJ
WOJTEK SZLEZAK	6-2	215	OLD BRIDGE, NJ

### ATHLETES

MIKE BYNUM	6-2	205	LANCASTER-McCAFFEY, PA
DONNITO PATRICK	6-3	175	BURLINGTON CITY, NJ

## TOP BLUE CHIPS IN ATLANTIC COAST

### QUARTERBACKS

MATT BAYS	6-2	185	NICHESVILLE-TWIN SPRINGS, VA
RONALD BRANCH	6-3	175	DUBLIN-PULASKI CO., VA
MYRON BROWN	6-4	200	WASHINGTON-DUNBAR, DC
WOODROW DANTZLER	6-2	190	ORANGEBURG-WILKINSON, SC
DAVID GARRARD	6-3	200	DURHAM-SOUTHERN DURHAM, NC
CLEVELAND KNIGHT	6-4	220	WASHINGTON-DUNBAR, DC
ERIK LIPTON	6-4	200	GAMBRILLS-ARUNDEL, MD
TIM OLMSTEAD	6-4	180	WOODBERRY FOREST, VA
CRAIG POWERS	6-4	195	SPENCER-NORTH ROWAN, NC
DENNY RANDOLPH	6-6	190	ALEXANDRIA-EDISON, VA
JASON THOMPSON	6-2	170	DAMASCUS, MD
CHRIS WILLETTS	6-4	185	ALEXANDRIA-WEST POTOMAC, VA

### RUNNING BACKS

JAVIS AUSTIN	6-0	185	DANIEL, SC
DONNIE BRYANT	6-1	185	BOONVILLE-STARSMOUNT, NC
LEJERIK CANNON	5-10	190	GREER, SC
FARDAN CARTER	5-10	180	COLUMBIA-OAKLAND MILLS, MD
ALI CULPEPPER	5-11	195	BALTIMORE-DUNBAR, MD
JERMAINE DAVIS	6-4	225	CHESNEE, SC
RICHARD DUDLEY	6-2	195	WALDOF-STONE, MD
NICK FENNEL	5-10	180	WASHINGTON-DUNBAR, DC
TYREE FOREMAN	6-0	210	SANDY SPRINGS-SHERWOOD, MD
JASON HATALA	5-11	170	CLIFTON-CENTREVILLE VA
YUBRENAL ISABELLE	6-2	220	BLUEFIELD, WV
LAMONT JORDAN	5-11	205	SUITLAND, MD
DAIN LEWIS	6-0	200	COLUMBIA-WILDE LAKE, MD
ASA McCALL	5-9	180	WASHINGTON EASTERN, DC
LUIS MORENO	6-2	235	CHARLOTTE-CATHOLIC, NC
P.J. MOYER	5-10	185	ROANOKE-CATHOLIC, VA
JOHN PARKER	6-0	185	KING GEORGE, VA
CHRIS RAMSEUR	6-1	202	MAIDEN, NC
ANTHONY SANDERS	6-3	220	GREENSBORO-W. GUILFORD, NC
BILLINOIS SHAHAN	6-1	195	HAMBLETON-TUCKER CO., WV
DOMINIQUE STEVENSON	6-2	200	GAFFNEY, SC
MAITI VENABLE	6-2	180	MARTINSVILLE, VA
RONDELL WHITE	6-3	200	AMELIA CO., VA
ANTOINE WOMACK	6-0	200	HAMPTON-PHOEBUS, VA

### WIDE RECEIVERS

BRUCE BRANCH	6-1	178	RICHMOND-HUGENOT, VA
JIMMY CALDWELL	5-10	160	WINSTON SALEM-MT. TABOR, NC
RICO GLADDEN	5-10	165	WASHINGTON-DUNBAR, DC
ELLIOTTE HARGROVE	6-5	215	BOILING SPRINGS-CREST, NC
TERRANCE KELLEY	6-2	195	WASHINGTON-PHELPS CAREER, DC
RHAMEN LOVE-LANE	6-4	195	CLEMMONS-W. FORSYTHE, NC
KENDRICK MCCULLUM	6-1	176	LAMAR, SC
SHEIK PEARSON	6-2	200	WASHINGTON-CARDOZO, DC
MIKE POND	6-5	205	PORTSMOUTH-NORCOM, VA
BRIAN SCOTT	6-3	195	DARLINGTON, SC
STEVE SHIPP	6-2	190	CHARLOTTE-W. CHARLOTTE, NC
DARREN WALTON	5-11	175	CHESAPEAKE-WESTERN BRANCH, VA

### TIGHT ENDS

JUSTIN BARRETT	6-4	250	LA PLATA, MD
MARCUS BRYSON	6-4	235	LAURENS, SC



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NATE KRILLIS	6-7	255	McLEAN, VA
RYAN WINGROVE	6-4	245	PARKERSBERG-SOUTH, WV

## OFFENSIVE LINEMEN

MICHAEL COLLINS	6-6	295	HICKORY, NC
TODD DAVIS	6-5	280	UNION, SC
BEN DYER	6-5	285	BALTIMORE-MT. ST. JOSEPH, MD
TIM FALLS	6-4	260	DAMASCUS, MD
DAVE GARNETT	6-4	300	GAITHERSBURG, MD
JOEL HOWINGTON	6-3	280	CLENDENIN-HOOVER, WV
JOSH LAWSON	6-6	270	WOODBIDGE-GARFIELD, VA
TOMMIE LORUM	6-6	315	WASHINGTON-DUNBAR, DC
KEN LYTLE	6-5	314	OXON HILL-POTOMAC, MD
JASON McFEASTERS	6-4	265	CARY, NC
NEELY PAGE	6-4	260	AIKEN, SC
DAVID PUGH	6-3	265	AMHERST, VA
JAMAL REED	6-2	270	WASHINGTON-ANACOSTIA, DC
COREY WATTS	6-4	260	LAURENS, SC

## DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

CHUCK ALSTON	6-5	240	CAPITOL HEIGHTS-CENTRAL, MD
HOMER BUTCHER	6-5	275	LOGAN, WV
DAWANI FLADGER	6-5	265	MULLINS, SC
ISSAC JOHNSON	6-3	240	BLADENSBURG, MD
CLEVELAND PINCKNEY	6-2	265	SUMTER, SC
JAMAL REYNOLDS	6-4	225	AIKEN, SC
TYRONE ROBERTSON	6-4	260	G. WASHINGTON, VA
JUJUANE SANDRIDGE	6-2	245	ST. JAMES, MD
BUDDY YOUNG	6-4	250	GLOUCESTER, VA

## LINEBACKERS

O'CONNOR ANDERSON	6-2	230	WASHINGTON-SPINGARN, DC
BEN BACOT	6-1	230	MYRTLE BEACH, SC
GEORGE BROWN	6-4	225	LYNCHBURG-E.C. GLASS, VA
IVAN BUTLER	6-1	223	WEST POTOMAC, VA
BRANDON CAIN	6-2	215	WINSTON SALEM-REYNOLDS, NC
PERNELL GRIFFIN	6-3	220	WILLIAMSTON, NC
CAMM JACKSON	6-0	195	AMHERST, VA
DeANGELO LLOYD	6-6	225	CHARLOTTE-INDEPENDENCE, NC
JIMMY PARKER	6-4	245	MOUNT HOPE, WV
DEVON SIMMONS	6-0	200	HIGHLAND SPRINGS, VA

## DEFENSIVE BACKS

WILLIE BENNETT	5-6	150	WASHINGTON WOODSON, DC
DURON BRYAN	6-0	175	GREAT MILLS, MD
KHARY DARLINGTON	6-0	175	DOVER, DE
JAMIN ELLIOTT	5-11	175	PORTSMOUTH-CHURCHLAND, VA
KEVIN ELROD	6-0	170	LEE-DAVIS, VA
TONY JACKSON	6-2	200	COLUMBIA-WILDE LAKE, MD
GARNETT McDANIEL	6-1	180	LYNCHBURG-E.C. GLASS, VA
MIKE McILRAVY	6-2	180	VIRGINIA BEACH-COX, VA
CHRIS MOSS	5-11	185	ST. ALBANS, WV
OMAR OWENS	6-0	175	OXON HILL, MD
QUINARD REED	6-0	200	WASHINGTON-PHELPS CAREER, DC

## ATHLETES

JAMES BOYD	6-1	190	CHESAPEAKE-DEEP CREEK, VA
ANATHAN GIBSON	5-11	180	SENECA, SC
DARYL WALTON	5-11	175	CHESAPEAKE-WESTERN BRANCH, VA

# TOP BLUE CHIPS IN SOUTHEAST

## QUARTERBACKS

JEFFREY AARON	6-2	190	MONTGOMERY-DAVIS, AL
KEITH COTTRELL	6-3	190	ORLANDO-BOONE, FL
ROHAN DAVEY	6-3	200	HALEAH-MIAMI LAKES, FL
MATT HOWARD	6-4	205	ST. AUGUSTINE-NEASE, FL
KENNY KELLY	6-3	180	TAMPA-CATHOLIC, FL
ROMARO MILLER	6-2	190	SHANNON, MS
JASON STANRIDGE	6-4	205	HEWITT-TRUSSVILLE, AL

## RUNNING BACKS

DEMONTRAY CARTER	5-11	170	PENSACOLA, FL
BRIAN COLE	5-8	155	MERIDIAN, MS
ADAM COX	6-1	210	JASPER-WALKER, AL
TONY DRIVER	6-3	210	LOUISVILLE-MALE, KY
TANNY FLOWERS	5-8	175	STARKVILLE, MS
AUDRELL GRACE	5-11	175	SYLVANIA-SCREVEN CO., GA
DEREK HOMER	5-11	190	FT. KNOX, KY
KEVIN JONES	5-10	180	BATESVILLE-S. PANOLA, MS
MAXFIELD JOSEPH	6-0	215	ORLANDO-OAK RIDGE, FL
JAMAL LEWIS	6-3	230	ATLANTA-DOUGLASS, GA
ADRIAN PETERSON	5-10	190	ALACHUA-SANTA FE, FL
RONI ROBINSON	6-3	210	FRANKLIN CO., KY
NICK ROGERS	6-2	200	ATLANTA-ST. PIUS, GA
JASPER SANKS	6-3	215	COLUMBUS-CARVER, GA
JEROME SMITH	6-2	210	KISSIMMEE-POINCIANA, FL
TRAVIS STEVENS	5-10	175	CLARKSVILLE-NORTHEAST, TN
ANTONEYO WILLIAMS	6-0	200	TUSCALOOSA-CENTRAL, AL

KELSAY WILLIAMS	6-1	210	HUMBOLDT, TN
STEPHEN WOODS	6-0	210	CLEVELAND, TN

## WIDE RECEIVERS

HERMAN BANKS	6-0	170	HARTSELLE, AL
JAMES BURROUGHS	6-3	185	PAHOKEE, FL
KENNY COOK	5-8	170	ROSWELL, GA
RASHEED GOLDEN	5-10	170	NAPLES-COLLIER, FL
CHARLES HAFLEY	6-3	205	POMPAHO BEACH-ELY, FL
KENYON HAMBRICK	6-2	170	HUNTSVILLE-JOHNSON, AL
BRIAN HAUGABROOK	6-2	190	WILDWOOD, FL
CARLO HEARD	6-4	205	LAGRANGE, GA
ORLANDO IGLESIAS	6-2	190	MIAMI-CORAL PARK, FL
DARRELL JACKSON	6-1	175	TAMPA-CATHOLIC, FL
RASHOD JONES	6-0	180	OCALA-VANGUARD, FL
SHALANDO JONES	6-2	183	PONTOCOT, MS
CARLOS SPIKES	6-1	180	TALLAHASSEE-N. FLA CHRISTIAN, FL
VINNIE SUTHERLAND	5-10	175	WEST PALM BEACH-PLM BCH LAKES, FL
EDDIE WILLIAMS	6-4	210	TALLAHASSEE-LINCOLN, FL
SURMANDRAE WILLIAMS	5-8	170	MIAMI-NORTHWESTERN, FL

## TIGHT ENDS

ANTONIO DAVIS	6-3	220	GROVE HILL-CLARKE CO., AL
MARVIN DAVIS	6-6	235	EASTMAN CO., GA
CURT MCGILL	6-4	235	SNELLVILLE-BROCKWOOD, GA

## OFFENSIVE LINEMEN

BRAXTON ANDERSON	6-5	260	FRANKLIN-SIMPSON, KY
RONALD BOLDIN	6-6	270	PAHOKEE, FL
COSEY COLEMAN	6-6	300	DECATUR-SHAMROCK, GA
WILLIE COMERFIELD	6-5	280	ST. PETERSBURG-GIBBS, FL
DARRYL DUPREE	6-3	295	DECATUR-S.W. DeKALB, GA
DAMIEN GRIFFIN	6-3	280	MIAMI-NORTHWESTERN, FL
DeCOURYE HAMPTON	6-7	305	MEMPHIS-WESTWOOD, TN
TAM HOPKINS	6-5	310	CASSEBERRY-LAKE HOWELL, FL
TERRENCE METCALF	6-4	288	CLARKSDALE, MS
ERIC STRANGE	6-5	285	ORLANDO-BOONE, FL
FRED WEARY	6-5	260	MONTGOMERY-LEE, AL

## DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

MUSKINGUM BARNES	6-2	245	MOSS POINT, MS
DE-TE ORLANDO DANTZLER	6-4	235	PURVIS, MS
DORSETT DAVIS	6-6	275	CLEVELAND-EAST SIDE, MS
CHAR-ROD DORSEY	6-6	300	JACKSONVILLE-BOLLES, FL
KENNARD ELLIS	6-4	225	ORLANDO-DR. PHILLIPS, FL
SAM MATTHEWS	6-6	275	JACKSONVILLE-BOLLES, FL
SHAWN McCOY	6-3	260	HOMESTEAD-S. DADE, FL
MELVIN RICHEY	6-4	292	DECATUR-S.W. DeKALB, GA
KENNY SMITH	6-4	285	MERIDIAN, MS
KEVIN THOMAS	6-7	270	ATLANTA-LAKESIDE, GA
GERARD WARREN	6-3	290	LAKE BUTLER-UNION CO., FL
JOSH WELDON	6-4	260	CORDELE-CRISP CO., GA

## LINEBACKERS

CORTEZ ALLEN	6-1	225	DECATUR-S.W. DeKALB, GA
TRAVIS CARROLL	6-4	225	JACKSONVILLE-BOLLES, FL
BRYANT CHERRY	6-2	210	JACKSON, TN
KEVIN DANSBY	6-3	210	BIRMINGHAM-ENSLEY, AL
ANDRA DAVIS	6-3	220	LIVE OAK-SUWANNEE, FL
SAM HAIRSTON	6-2	217	FT. WALTON-CHOCTAWHATCHEE, FL
DARION HUTCHERSON	6-1	210	ATLANTA-DOUGLASS, GA
EDWARD JOHNSON	6-0	220	JACKSON-PROVINE, MS
TITO LEE	5-11	210	BRENTWOOD ACADEMY, TN
MAT MILLER	6-3	200	ATLANTA-MARIST, GA
REGGIE POOLE	6-4	225	CEDARTOWN, GA

## DEFENSIVE BACKS

ROBERT CARSWELL	6-1	200	STONE MOUNTAIN, GA
TONY DIXON	6-2	190	REFORM-PICKENS CO., AL
MARKESE FITZGERALD	6-0	175	ST. PETERSBURG-HOLLINS, FL
MAURICE FITZGERALD	6-0	175	NASHVILLE-PEARL-COHEN, TN
DERRICK GIBSON	6-3	195	MIAMI-KILLIAN, FL
DEON GRANT	6-4	195	AUGUSTA-JOSEY, GA
RONTE LANGS	5-11	180	MEMPHIS-WHITEHAVEN, TN
WILLIE OFFORD	6-2	180	PALATKA, FL
ROB PATE	6-2	200	ERWIN, AL
STANFORD SIMMONS	6-3	190	ASHLAND-CLAY CO., AL
KEITH STRONG	6-2	190	ATHENS-CEDAR SHOALS, GA
ARMARK TOLBERT	6-1	185	AUGUSTA-JOSEY, GA

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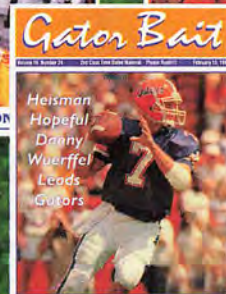
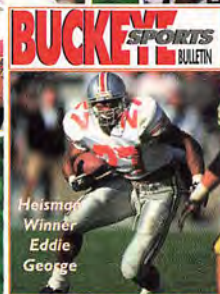
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MAIT SCHOBEL	6-3	205	COLUMBUS, TX
EDMOND STANSBERRY	6-3	200	EL PASO-ERVIN, TX

### RUNNING BACKS

CORY CALLENS	6-3	235	JENKS, OK
ANTHONY DENMON	6-3	195	RUSK, TX
DEREK GARY	6-0	180	SAN ANTONIO-CHURCHILL, TX
ERIC GOODEN	6-2	205	MIDWEST CITY, OK
ROGER JENKINS	6-1	180	DALLAS-SPRUCE, TX
RON JOHNSON	5-11	205	PINE BLUFF-WATSON CHAPEL, AR
FRED JOURNEY	6-0	180	GARLAND-LAKEVIEW CENTRAL, TX
DeANDRE LEWIS	5-9	180	ALDINE, TX
TRAVIS MINOR	6-1	190	BATON ROUGE-CATHOLIC, LA
TWONE SIMMONS	5-10	195	THORNDALE, TX
ERIC TASBY	5-11	180	CORPUS CHRISTI-CARROLL, TX
ANTHONY THOMAS	6-2	220	WYNNEFIELD, LA
JAVON WALKER	6-2	220	LAFAYETTE-ST. THOMAS MORE, LA
GERRARD WHITAKER	6-1	160	HOUSTON-C.E. KING, TX
REGGIE WHITE	6-1	185	LIBERTY, TX
JAQUAY WILBURN	5-9	170	ODESSA-PERMIAN, TX
DONALD WILLIAMS	6-0	190	ALDINE, TX
DAWAYNE WOODS	5-10	185	SLIDELL-SALMEN, LA

### WIDE RECEIVERS

DAVID AARON	6-4	185	MARSHALL, TX
ABRAM BOOTY	6-3	180	SHREVEPORT-EVANGEL, LA
BRANDON CLARK	6-4	185	VALLEY CENTER, KS
ADRIAN ELLIS	6-2	180	CLEVELAND, TX
REGGIE GERMANY	6-2	180	ST. LOUIS-HAZELWOOD E., MO
AHMED KABBA	6-2	190	MOORE-WESTMOORE, OK
JULIUS McMILLIAN	6-0	185	ALTUS, OK
REGGIE WAYNE	6-1	175	MARRERO-EHRET, LA
ROBERT WILLIAMS	6-4	210	DALLAS-BISHOP LYNCH, TX

### TIGHT ENDS

CHRIS BROOKS	6-4	235	NEWTON, TX
JAROD HOLLAND	6-3	225	LAWTON-EISENHOWER, OK
RYAN HUMPHREY	6-7	210	TULSA-B.T. WASHINGTON, OK
ED KELLY	6-5	250	ALDINE-MacARTHUR, TX
KYLE KIPPS	6-5	245	LAFAYETTE-COMEAUX, LA
TANGO McCAULEY	6-3	230	OKLAHOMA CITY-MARSHALL, OK
MARCELLUS RIVERS	6-3	205	OKLAHOMA CITY-DOUGLAS, OK

### OFFENSIVE LINEMEN

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ADRIAN COLE	6-3	295	ALDINE-NIMITZ, TX
LEONARD DAVIS	6-6	320	WORTHAM, TX
JAKE HARRIGER	6-3	260	BROKEN ARROW, OK
DENNIS JONES	6-7	250	DALLAS-SPRUCE, TX
LYNN LARABEE	6-3	260	OKLAHOMA CITY-WESTERN HTS., OK
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JAMES MILLER	6-5	300	McALISTER, OK
LUKE NICHOLS	6-5	270	BEAUMONT-KELLY, TX
ANDRE PITTMAN	6-4	305	HOUSTON-LAMAR, TX
DEVANE ROBINSON	6-3	250	MIDWEST CITY, OK
JOHN RUTHERFORD	6-3	255	MIDWEST CITY, OK
DAVID SHERROD	6-6	275	ATKINS, AR
RYAN SMITH	6-3	255	MALVERNE, AR

### DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

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BRIAN HENNIGER	6-3	220	CY CREEK, TX
KENNETH JACKSON	6-3	280	NEW ORLEANS-ST.AUG, LA
RODERICK KELLY	6-6	250	HOUSTON-YATES, TX
TANGO McCAULEY	6-4	230	OKLA CITY-MARSHALL, OK
NORMAN MCKINNEY	6-3	310	FT. WORTH-DUNBAR, TX
ERNE MOORE	6-6	240	SLIDELL-SALMEN, LA
THOMAS PITTMAN	6-4	255	RESERVE-E. ST. JOHN, LA
CORNELIUS ROBERTSON	6-5	290	ST. MARTINSVILLE, LA
J.D. SIMPSON	6-3	275	EXCELSIOR SPRINGS, MO
JUQUA THOMAS	6-2	215	ALDINE, TX
DAVID WARREN	6-5	240	TYLER, TX
De'NARD WHITFIELD	6-4	215	DENISON, TX
ADRIAN WILSON	6-4	295	DALLAS-CARTER, TX

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MONTY BEISEL	6-4	215	VICTORIA, KS
ROYLIN BRADLEY	6-2	215	LAMARQUE, TX
TYRONE BULB	6-2	195	ENID, OK
JARRETT ERWIN	6-2	220	CORPUS CHRISTI-CALLEN, TX
GRANT IRONS	6-5	210	CONROE-McCULLOUGH, TX
TONY PETERS	6-1	215	SAPULPA, OK

### DEFENSIVE BACKS

BUBBA BABB	6-2	185	ADA, OK
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DANNY BLACK	5-10	165	GREENVILLE, TX
DEREK DORRIS	6-2	180	AZLE, TX
EDWIN GARRETT	5-10	165	BAYTOWN-LEE, TX
JASON GLENN	6-2	200	ALDINE-NIMITZ, TX
COREY HARRIS	5-10	180	HOUSTON-CLEAR BROOK, TX
LARRY HOLLINQUEST	6-2	190	HOUSTON-SAM HOUSTON, TX
QUENTON JAMMER	6-0	170	ANGLETON, TX
JERMAINE JONES	6-2	175	DALLAS-CARTER, TX
CLARENCE LeBLANC	6-4	195	RIVER RIDGE-CURTIS, LA
CHRIS LEWIS	5-10	175	DALLAS-CARTER, TX
WARDRICUS LEWIS	6-0	180	TATUM, TX
J.J. MATHIS	6-0	185	PAMPA, TX
JOHN NORMAN	6-3	190	MIDLAND-LEE, TX
STANLEY PETERS	5-8	170	PAULS VALLEY, OK
MARCUS RIGGS	6-1	195	HOUSTON-YATES, TX
ROD SHEPHARD	6-1	180	TYLER-CHAPEL HILLINOIS, TX
JOE WALKER	6-1	180	NORTH SHORE, TX
EARL WILLIAMS	5-11	170	HANNVILLE, LA
DERRICK YATES	6-3	200	HOUSTON-WASHINGTON, TX

### PLACEKICKER

JEFF FERGUSON	5-11	170	TULSA-HOLLAND HALL, OK
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### ATHLETES

STERLING GILBERT	5-10	170	SAN ANGELO-LAKEVIEW, TX
OTIS GODFREY	5-11	170	HOUSTON-KASHMERE, TX
JAMAAL JONES	6-1	190	DALLAS-CARTER, TX
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## TOP BLUE CHIPS IN MIDWEST

### QUARTERBACKS

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LORENZO GUESS	6-3	185	WAYNE, MI
GAVIN HOFFMAN	6-6	200	MINNEAPOLIS-BRECK, MN
ROB JOHNSON	6-4	195	PLYMOUTH-CANTON, MI
ZACK KUSTOCK	6-3	185	ORLAND PARK-SANDBURG, IL
BRANDON RODGERS	6-2	195	CINCINNATI-WITHROW, OH
JOE YOUNG	6-2	180	HARPER WOODS-GALLAGHER, MI

### RUNNING BACKS

BILLINOIS ANDREWS	6-0	205	OAK LAWN-RICHARDS, IL
IDI BEARD	6-0	185	FLINT-NORTHERN, MI
CURTIS BLANDON	6-2	215	DANVILLE, IL
JAMES HARRISON	6-0	205	AKRON-COVENTRY, OH
JIMMY HENRY	6-1	175	DETROIT-PERSHING, MI
DWAYNE HOGAN	6-1	210	INDIANAPOLIS-BEN DAVIS, IN
CARLOS HONORE	5-11	185	IOWA CITY-WEST, IA
RAY JACKSON	6-2	225	INDIANAPOLIS-LAWRENCE CENTRAL, IN
DONDRE JOHNSON	6-1	210	KOKOMO, IN
BRIAN MARSHALL	5-10	195	BIRMINGHAM-RICE, MI
LOUIS MEDINA	5-10	175	NEW LENOX, IL
MICHAEL MULLEN	6-0	175	FLINT-CENTRAL, MI
SEAN PENNY	6-2	215	YOUNGSTOWN-URSULINE, OH
GREG SIMPSON	6-1	215	DUBLIN-SCIOTO, OH
ROBERT SMITH	6-1	200	DETROIT-KING, MI
ISREAL THOMPSON	6-1	200	MARTINSVILLE, IN
LEVRON WILLIAMS	6-3	195	EVANSVILLE-BOSSE, IN

### WIDE RECEIVERS

ANTWON ALLEN	5-10	175	CINCINNATI-WOODS, OH
ERNEST BROWN	6-2	175	HUBER HTS-WAYNE, OH
CHARLIE CAMPBELL	6-3	170	YOUNGSTOWN-LIBERTY, OH
CHRIS CHAMBERS	6-1	175	BEDFORD, OH
SAM CRENSHAW	6-3	200	YOUNGSTOWN-RAYEN, OH
ADRIAN DAN	6-0	180	DAYTON-PATTERSON, OH
JAMAR GARY	6-3	185	MADISON-EAST, WI
RENALDO HILL	6-0	170	DETROIT-CHADSEY, MI
TEDDY JOHNSON	6-1	180	ELGIN-LARKIN, IL
JAMES MURPHY	6-3	190	KANKAKEE, IL

### TIGHT ENDS

KEVIN CRANE	6-4	220	WALLED LAKE-WESTERN, MI
OMARI JORDAN	6-7	245	CLEVELAND-COLLINGWOOD, OH
JASON KEMBLE	6-6	245	CANFIELD, OH
ROBBIE LONG	6-3	245	CHAMPAIGN-CENTENIAL, IL
JOEL MESMAN	6-3	235	GRAND RAPIDS-S. CHRISTIAN, MI
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### OFFENSIVE LINEMEN

MIKE BODNAR	6-4	290	YOUNGSTOWN-BOARDMAN, OH
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RICH CHORAK	6-3	255	CHICAGO-MT. CARMEL, IL



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JOE HARTINGS	6-4	240	ST. HENRY, OH
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BEN MAST	6-4	285	MASSILLON-WASHINGTON, OH
SHAWN MURPHY	6-5	280	CINN-ELDER, OH
ROCKY NEASE	6-5	285	TERRE HAUTE-NORTH, IN
JOSH PARRISH	6-5	295	WESTERVILLE-SOUTH, OH
JON RYDER	6-5	295	PERRYSBURG, OH
BEN SOBIESKI	6-4	270	MAHTOMEDI, MN
DAVE VOLK	6-5	260	BATTLE CREEK, NE

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TONY BROWN	6-3	260	DAYTON-PATTERSON, OH
DERRICK BURNS	6-5	275	EDEN PRARIE, MN
ANWAR COOPER	6-6	245	CINCINNATI-HUGHES, OH
JEREMY DOX	6-4	280	ST. PAUL-CRETIN-DURHAM, MN
AARON HABERMAN	6-4	260	HARTLAND-ARROWHEAD, WI
JOHN KELLEY	6-3	265	COLUMBUS-DeSALES, OH
LARRY KING	6-4	245	LANSING-SEXTON, MI
ANTHONY MORRIS	6-2	290	DETROIT-KING, MI
JASON PTAKE	6-3	255	WYANDOTTE, MI
BEN PULFER	6-6	270	SIDNEY, OH
HEATH QUEEN	6-5	255	LOO-CLOVERLEAF, OH
MAURICE WILLIAMS	6-6	275	DETROIT-PERSHING, MI
MARK ZACKERY	6-2	255	INDIANAPOLIS-BEN DAVIS, IN

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REGGIE HAYWARD	6-5	220	DOLTON-THORNTRIDGE, IL
JASON MANSON	6-3	210	TROY, OH
JASON OTT	6-4	235	CINCINNATI-ELDER, OH
JEFF SKITBITSKY	6-1	220	PRARIE VIEW-STEPHENSON, IL
MATT STEWART	6-5	200	COLUMBUS-DeSALES, OH
T.J. TURNER	6-4	235	HILLSBORO, OH

#### DEFENSIVE BACKS

MIKE CLINKSCALE	6-1	190	YOUNGSTOWN-CHANEX, OH
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ABDULAH MUHAMMAD	6-1	185	EAST LANSING, MI
RICHARD NEWSOME	6-0	175	FOSTORIA, OH
ERIC PARKER	6-1	170	JOLIET TWP., IL

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JASON FRYSSINGER	6-4	225	GROSSE ILE, MI
ANTWAAN RANDLE EL	5-11	175	HARVEY-THORNTON, IL
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#### QUARTERBACKS

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DAVID CARR	6-3	180	BAKERSFIELD-STOCKDALE, CA
GREG CICERO	6-4	180	ANAHEIM-SERVITE, CA
RANDY FASANI	6-3	200	LOOMIS-DEL ORO, CA
PETER HANSEN	6-6	180	PALO ALTO, CA
DREW MILLER	6-1	187	TACOMA-LAKES, WA
AUSTIN MOHERMAN	6-4	190	MISSION VIEJO-CAPISTRANO VALLEY, CA

#### RUNNING BACKS

ART GIPSON	5-11	210	FONTANA, CA
MALEAFOU MACKENZIE	6-0	210	MISSION VIEJO-CAPISTRANO VALLEY, CA
DARNELL McDONALD	5-11	190	CHERRY CREEK, CO
JAMAR SHEPPARD	6-1	195	SAN FRANCISCO-SACRED HEART, CA
DION BOOKER	6-2	185	OCEANSIDE-EL CAMINO, CA
ADAM DAVIS	6-1	170	AURORA-HIWLEY, CO
LeROY EASTER	5-10	175	FRESNO-McCLANE, CA
CURTIS EDWARDS	6-2	175	RIVERSIDE-RUBIDOUX, CA
MARCUS FIELD	6-3	190	STOCKTON-STAGG, CA
EDDIE GAVLES	5-9	180	SEATTLE-KENNEDY, WA
PATRICK McCALL	5-11	180	DARSON, CA
LARRY McDONALD	5-9	165	STOCKTON-FRANKLIN, CA
MIKE McGEE	5-10	205	BELLVUE-INTERLAKE, WA
JOVIAN MILLER	6-2	215	MIRAPOSA, CA
TYLER NEINAST	6-2	220	YUMA-CIBOLA, AZ
RICHARD PAGE	6-0	205	SAN JOSE-OVERFELT, CA

JAMES RICHARDSON	5-11	190	SAN JOSE-GUNDERSON, CA
DUAN RUFF	5-9	170	DENVER-MULLEN, CO
CHARLES THARP	5-9	180	MOUNTAIN VIEW-ST. FRANCIS, CA
JOE WYETH	6-1	190	COLORADO SPRINGS-PALMER, CO

#### WIDE RECEIVERS

DALLAS DAVIS	5-9	170	FT. COLLINS, CO
ROMAN HOLLOWELL	5-9	170	DENVER-MULLEN, CO
KENYON RAMBO	6-1	185	LONG BEACH-POLY, CA
GEORGE WILLIAMS	6-1	175	STOCKTON-FRANKLIN, CA
EDDIE GORDON	5-10	170	SAN LORENZO, CA
CODY JOYCE	6-0	185	NEWHALL-HART, CA
ROSSI MARTIN	6-0	175	OAK GROVE, CA
PATRICK REDDICK	5-10	180	NEWBURY PARK, CA
JUSTIN TAPLIN	6-0	170	TEMPE, AZ

#### TIGHT ENDS

DAN ENGEL	6-3	130	LAKEWOOD, CO
ANTOINE HARRIS	6-4	225	LOS ANGELES-LOYOLA, CA
DONNELL BURCH	6-4	240	FRESNO-SAN JOAQUIN, CA
LONNIE FORD	6-3	215	SAN DIEGO-MORSE, CA
CORY SMITH	6-5	226	GALT, CA

#### OFFENSIVE LINEMEN

KODY HERGERT	6-4	170	COLORADO SPRINGS-RAMPART, CO
BRYAN KULA	6-4	275	PHOENIX-BROPHY PREP, AZ
JOE MAJOR	6-4	290	REDMOND, WA
BRIAN POLAK	6-5	305	LA PUENTE-BISHOP AMAT, CA
MIKE VOLLERS	6-6	265	HONOLULU-PUNAHOUSTON, HI
KYLE BENN	6-4	285	SEATTLE-O'DEA, WA
CRAIG BROOKS	6-3	265	RICHMOND-LOGAN, CA
MATT GRIFFITH	6-6	285	KENTRIDGE, WA
NIC HAWKINS	6-5	305	VISALIA-MT. WHITNEY
BRANDON HOOPES	6-5	275	WEST LINN, OR
SCOTT JACKSON	6-5	250	ROLLING HILLS-PENINSULA, CA
ROBERT LOYZA	6-6	280	RIVERSIDE-NORTE VISTA, CA
RANDY ORTEGA	6-5	315	WINKLEMAN-HAYDEN, AZ
RON PRICE	6-3	275	S.J.-HILLINOS, CA
VICTOR ROGERS	6-7	290	FEDERAL WAY-DECATUR, WA
KURT VOLLERS	6-7	270	ANAHEIM-SERVITE, CA
MIKE WAMBOLT	6-4	270	NEWHALL-HART, CA
JOSH WRIGHT	6-6	280	KAMIAK, WA
RALPH ZARATE	6-4	260	TUCSON, AZ

#### DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

ANDRE CARTER	6-4	230	OAK GROVE, CA
DAVID HENSON	6-5	275	GLENDALE-CACTUS, AZ
WELTON KAGE	6-4	245	SACRAMENTO-CENTER, CA
JASON KAUFASI	6-4	245	SALT LAKE CITY-EAST, UT
BRIAN KERSTON	6-2	225	WOODINVILLE, WA
AUSTIN LEE	6-5	245	POST FALL, ID
IASSAC MORRIS	6-2	245	SEATTLE-SHORECREST, WA
RYAN NEILSEN	6-4	225	SIMI VALLEY-ROYAL, CA
ANTHONY THOMAS	6-3	250	PASADENA, CA

#### LINEBACKERS

DARRELL DANIELS	6-2	210	SAN FERNANDO, CA
ZACH MORENO	6-3	230	CHULA VISTA-CASTLE PARK
MIKE BURKE	6-1	110	DENVER-MULLEN, CO
CHINO CHIRAMONTE	6-3	225	SOQUEL, CA
TRACY HUNT	6-2	205	FRESNO-WASHINGTON, CA
MICHAEL POLLARD	6-1	215	LONG BEACH-POLY, CA
TIM SHEAR	6-2	215	JUNCTION CITY, OR

#### DEFENSIVE BACKS

IFE OHALETE	6-2	205	LOS ALAMITOS, CA
AUTUAN SIMMONS	5-11	185	SACRAMENTO-VALLEY, CA
DREW SMITH	5-10	170	GOLDEN, CO
MARQUES TUIASOSOPU	6-2	210	WOODINVILLE, WA
TONY WALKER	6-0	175	LANCASTER-ANTELOPE VALLEY, CA
SAM BRANSON	6-2	180	RIVERSIDE-NORTH, CA
ALBUS BROOKS	6-1	180	CLAREMONT, CA
DEWEY HALE	6-1	185	OAKLAND-FREMONT, CA
KAMRON JONES	5-9	175	NAPA, CA
DARRYL KNIGHT	6-2	200	RIVERSIDE-RUBIDOUX, CA
ANTHONY LIMBRICK	6-1	190	OAKLAND-SKYLINE, CA
JASON STEPHENS	6-2	180	REDLANDS, CA
JULIUS THOMPSON	5-10	170	LOOMIS-DEL ORO, CA
LAMONT THOMPSON	6-2	180	EL CERRITO, CA
FRED WASHINGTON	5-10	170	OAKLAND-O'DOWD, CA

#### PLACEKICKER

JIM SKURSKI	5-8	170	SEATTLE-O'DEA, WA
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#### ATHLETES

ROBERT JACKSON	6-1	185	CORVALLIS-CRESENT VALLEY, OR
ROD PERRY, JR.	5-11	180	SANTA ANA-MATER DEI, CA
NATE WRIGHT, JR.	5-10	175	SAN DIEGO-PT. LOMA, CA
ANTHONY CONLEY	5-10	175	SEATTLE-R.B., WA
TREVOR MODE	6-1	175	KINGMAN, AZ
DERRANE TAYLOR	6-0	175	SACRAMENTO-JOHNSON, CA
FRANK GREEN	6-3	220	BUTTE, MT
JEFF PETERSON	6-1	190	RENO-WOOSTER, NV



# Where are they Now?

by SAM CARCHIDI  
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**The high school football player rated No. 96 in *Athlon's* Top 100 national recruiting list of 1986, Clarence Jones of Central Islip, N.Y., is now a starting offensive tackle with the NFL's New Orleans Saints.**

**The high school player ranked No. 2 on that same list never made it to the pros and, because of an injury, carried the ball just 42 times in his entire four-year collegiate career.**

**In other words, there are no guarantees when picking a high school All-America team, nor when projecting which players will soar, which ones will slip.**

**J**ust ask Tony Vanzant, the player rated as the nation's second-best prepster in 1986.

Coming out of Hazelwood Central High in Florissant, Mo., Vanzant (formerly VanZant) was the most heralded high school running back in the country. The 6-2, 190-pounder had power, speed and grace. He rushed for 6,138 yards in his career and recorded a string of 36 straight 100-yard rushing games. With great fanfare, he signed with the University of Missouri.

"When he was being recruited, it looked like he was going to be the savior of Missouri football," says Bob Brendel, the university's sports informa-

tion director. "He was a high school legend in the St. Louis area."

But Vanzant never became Missouri's savior. He tore the anterior cruciate ligament in each knee — one before he even entered college — and his dream of reaching the NFL was shattered.

He is now a high school football coach in Michigan, and after the season, he makes a 10-hour drive to Missouri to spend time with his girlfriend and their two-year-old daughter. He also works as a security guard in the Michigan high school where he coaches, and, during the five months per year he is in Missouri, earns some

spending money unloading trucks at a warehouse.

It's not the glamorous life of an NFL player, but Vanzant isn't complaining. He especially loves his job as a head football coach at Buena Vista High in Saginaw, Mich.

"A lot of them have single parents and don't know what it's like to have a father around," Vanzant says. "So I look them straight in the face and talk. I try to be a father figure to them. I want them to talk to me and not do crazy things on the street. I tell them, 'You have a problem, call me at home any time.' I enjoy that part of coaching."

Vanzant is one of numerous high school All-Americans who never made it to the professional level. Some were stopped by injuries; others weren't. Some peaked in high school. Some were solid college players but weren't quite good enough to make it at the next level. Some stopped playing football in college to concentrate on schoolwork and to prepare for careers away from violent collisions with men roughly the size of old Volkswagens.

In 1986, *Athlon* picked the Top 100 high school players in the nation. Ten years later, that team boasts 16 NFL players, including Atlanta Falcons quarterback Jeff George (rated No. 1 by *Athlon* in 1986), Oakland Raiders running back Harvey Williams (No. 3), Chicago Bears safety Mark Carrier (No. 5) and Baltimore Ravens safety Eric Turner (No. 16), all of whom have become stars.

Carrier, a product of Long Beach, Calif., is a three-time Pro Bowl selection and arguably the most successful player of that group.

Some of the other notable performers from the 1986 Top 100 are Alvin Harper (rated No. 42), now a quality wide receiver with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers; James Francis (No. 77), who has been a starting linebacker since the Cincinnati Bengals selected him out of Baylor in the first round of the 1990 draft; wide receiver Ed McCaffrey (No. 30), who is in his second season with the Denver Broncos; and defensive back Torin Dorn (No. 54), a nickel back with the St. Louis Rams.

A handful of other players on *Athlon's* Top 100 1986 high school list also reached the pros but are now long gone.

## athlon coverboys



#1  
Jeff George



#12  
Billy Ray (inset)



#23  
Art Greathouse (r)



#24  
Vance Hammond (r)



#97  
Anthony Thompson (top l)



**W**hen *Athlon* selected its Top 100 high school players in the nation in 1986, Michigan moved to the top of the recruiting charts as it signed eight of those elite players.

UCLA was the runner-up with six Top 100 signees, while Iowa and Ohio State attracted five each. Nebraska, Georgia, Southern California, Alabama, Texas A&M, Washington, Oklahoma and Penn State each signed four.

Of Michigan's eight Top 100 players, only two eventually were chosen in the NFL draft: wide receiver Greg McMurtry of Brockton, Mass., *Athlon's* No. 17-rated prepster, who was a third-round pick of the New England Patriots in 1990, and running back Tony Boles (No. 71), a Westland, Mich., native who was an 11th-round selection of the Dallas Cowboys in 1991.

McMurtry, also an outstanding high school outfielder, was a first-round pick of the Boston Red Sox in 1986. He signed as a free agent with the Washington Redskins in hopes of landing a roster spot for the '96 season. Boles never made it to the NFL. Neither did the six other Top 100 players who went to Michigan.

Not that the NFL wasn't their goal.

"I think it's everybody's aspiration, everybody's dream, when you first get out of high school," says Tim Williams, one of Michigan's elite football recruits.

"When you get to college, everybody wants to be on the cover of *Athlon*, wants to win the Big Ten, become an All-American and be a pro. My goal was to play in the NFL for two or three years and live a modest life — sort of like a monk — and be able to save lots of money so I wouldn't have to work again.

"That goal changed as I got older and realized there's more to life than football."

Williams, highly recruited at his Wisconsin high school, picked Michigan over Notre Dame, UCLA, Wisconsin and Minnesota. He was rated as the 93rd pick in the nation in high school, but he spent his collegiate career primarily as a backup linebacker and special teams player.

He gave up his final year of football eligibility to attend law school. It is a decision he hasn't regretted.

"It was hard for me to stop playing," says Williams, now a labor-employment lawyer in

Atlanta who earns about \$65,000 per year, "but I felt it was best for me in the long run."

At Michigan, Williams was a backup to line-backer Bobby Abrams, who is now with the New England Patriots. He and Abrams have remained close friends.

"He's enjoyed it and accumulated some nice wealth," Williams says of Abrams. "But as he gets older, he's concerned that his curve is going down and mine is going up."

Williams, 28, says that playing at Michigan "was the most difficult thing I ever did but also the most rewarding — and that includes law school. They pushed you to excel both academically and athletically, and it's a challenge to balance both."



COURTESY OF TIM WILLIAMS

**Michigan's Williams, now an Atlanta attorney, is on an upward curve.**

He did that, graduating with honors and playing three seasons of varsity football.

"The most important thing for Coach (Bo) Schembechler was that he graduated his players," Williams says. "He measured his success by how many lawyers and doctors and productive people he produced, and not by how many people he put in the NFL. He was more concerned that the players came back to visit."

Excluding their first collegiate season — when most redshirted — Michigan compiled a

36-11-1 record and went to four bowl games during the next four seasons. The Wolverines won the Hall of Fame Bowl, the Rose Bowl and the Gator Bowl, plus three Big Ten Conference titles, during that span.

Like Williams, Warde Manuel gave up his final year of football eligibility at Michigan.

Unlike Williams, Manuel really had no other choice.

A 6-6, 262-pound defensive tackle who was a starter as a sophomore and junior, Manuel suffered a pinched nerve in his neck and was unable to play during his senior season.

"It bothered me that I had to give it up," says Manuel, who did compete in track and field as a Michigan senior and placed fourth in the Big Ten javelin competition. "I had aspirations of going to the professional level and doing things for my family. But I was glad I could continue in the academic world. Bo and his staff were very supportive of me.

"After I found out I couldn't play anymore, it was tough for about a month. But my teammates helped me get through it. They knew it had the potential to be a debilitating injury, and the decision was based on my health. My teammates said football wasn't worth (risking) paralysis to my neck. They supported the decision."

Manuel's injury has not limited him. He has slight pain once or twice a year, but he still lifts weights and plays basketball, baseball and touch football.

Manuel, the 27th-rated high school player in *Athlon's* 1986 report, is currently studying for his doctorate in social work at the University of Michigan. When he earns the degree, he wants to teach social-work classes in college.

Manuel, 28, and his wife, Chrislan, have an infant daughter, Emma. They live in Ann Arbor in what Manuel calls the "married apartments" on campus.

Had Manuel not been injured and had made it to the NFL, he probably never would have met his wife. The couple first became acquainted at Michigan after he finished graduate school.

Manuel, who worked one year as an assistant athletic director for academics at Georgia Tech and spent six months as a pharmaceutical salesman in Dallas, is scheduled to receive his doctorate in August 1997.

Manuel says he was "the benefactor of seeing

Before their football careers flourished or ended, many of the freshman class of '86 were featured on *Athlon* covers. Here is a sampling of those covers from 1988 and 1989.



#48  
Brad Quast



#41  
Quinn Grovey



#28  
Cary Conklin (I)



#37  
Sal Aunese



#71  
Tony Boles (I)



other people not make it to the pros and not having something to fall back on, so I took the books seriously. You see people ahead of you (in years) not make it in the pros and not have something to fall back on. It tells you that you can't put all your eggs in one basket.

"I'm extremely happy with the life I have now," says Manuel, who hopes to become a professor in the Boston area, where his wife has roots. "If I didn't get hurt, I probably would have tried to be in professional (football), but I hope I would have kept the same drive toward academics and gone back and been a lawyer or some professional, like the Steve Youngs."

Adds Manuel: "I have no regrets. . . . It would have been nice to make the big money. I have friends who have made it big in the NFL, and it's good to see it. But eventually I know I'll have that (security) and be able to provide for my family."

Curtis Feaster, one of Manuel's Michigan teammates, can relate to a career-changing injury.

Feaster, a linebacker, was the 86th-rated high school player in the nation when he was a senior in Flint, Mich., in 1986.

As a University of Michigan sophomore, he dislocated a finger during spring football practice. A bone popped out of his hand, didn't heal and became infected. The infection became worse as Michigan's fall season opener drew closer.

Recalls Feaster: "I was supposed to be a starter that season, but one week before the season started I found out I had a staph infection, and I ended up being laid up in a hospital for six weeks."

Feaster, now 28 and married, lost 20 pounds while he battled the infection. He eventually played in a few games, but he never was a starter during his Michigan career.

Feaster earned a degree in engineering at Ann Arbor and his master's in business administration at the University of North Carolina. He is now a pricing analyst with Motorola in Scottsdale, Ariz., earning about \$60,000 a year.

"Engineering school was kind of a distraction, as far as playing football was concerned," Feaster says. "It's difficult to go through it and play football as well. To really be at the top of your game, you really have to focus on that. But the engineering school is off campus and you have to travel a half hour each way to get to the building, and it was difficult to handle 12 credit hours and go through a normal football season."

"I figure we put in at least 50, maybe 60 hours a week on football."

That is a considerable investment of time, especially when one considers that most Division I players will not play football professionally.

Feaster went from being a high school All-American to being a collegiate bench-sitter. And even though he earned a football scholarship that paid for his college education at Michigan, he is disenchanted with the sport.

"Football paid for my college, but it really wasn't worth it to me," he says. "If you count all the hours you spend in football a week, you get paid maybe \$4 or \$5 an hour. I'm bitter, somewhat. I think the athletes should be compensated and that the NCAA should take a look

into it. There's a lot more injuries in football than any other sport, and a lot more preparation. It's not like the NBA, where you can go from high school to the pros."

Feaster says that if the NFL had a farm system, he would rather try to reach the pros via such a route.

He scored just one touchdown in his collegiate career.

"He still comes back and visits around the Christmas holidays," says John Hotfelder, Vanzant's coach at Hazelwood Central High. "He still looks like a stallion."

But his knees. Oh, his poor, sad-looking knees.



Vanzant spent most of his career at Missouri watching from the sidelines.

"I'd rather do that and pay my own way to college," he says. "For one, it would make you manage your own personal funds — and that's critical. A lot of athletes, once they graduate, they don't know how to manage their money. If you paid your own way, you'd understand it better, and you'd go to class and say, 'Hey, I'm going to get an A or B because this money is coming out of my pocket.'"

**T**en years ago, no high school running back in America was as highly regarded as Tony Vanzant.

Vanzant scored 91 touchdowns in his prep career, which, at the time, was the fifth-highest total in national history. As a senior at his suburban St. Louis high school, he rushed for 2,738 yards and 36 touchdowns, and led the Hawks to a 14-0 record and the state championship.

Vanzant was courted by more than 100 colleges seeking to acquire his football prowess and chose Missouri. But he never became the program's savior, never got to end the Tigers' years of gridiron frustration.

Missouri lost games when Vanzant was there and it has continued to lose games. Missouri posted a 3-8 record last season, its 12th straight losing year.

In four seasons at Missouri, knee injuries limited Vanzant to 188 rushing yards on 42 carries.

"A lot of guys in the St. Louis area made it to the pros, but Tony was better than any of them," Hotfelder says. "It's just unfortunate that such an injury happened to an athlete like him. His career didn't turn out like it was scripted."

"He had the ability to make people miss him. If you look at Jerry Rice and tell him to be a running back, that's my impression of Anthony," adds Hotfelder, who is now the school's freshman football coach. "We have a highlight film that every team watches at the start of every season. It's a 35-minute film of our highlights over the years — and 30 minutes of it are on him."

There's Vanzant taking a handoff, weaving through traffic and finishing an 85-yard TD run. There's Vanzant fielding a punt, zigzagging past three tacklers and racing 70-some yards, untouched, down the sideline. There's Vanzant catching an innocuous-looking screen pass and turning it into a long touchdown romp.

He was big, strong and fast. Best of all, he was elusive and seemed to have a sixth sense on the field. He was Touchdown Tony.

"As soon as a little hole opened up, he could turn it up another gear," Hotfelder says. "He'd twist the safety left and right, and it would be adios and good-bye."

"I've coached since 1971 and he's the best I've ever seen — the best St. Louis has ever seen."

Vanzant became a varsity starter at Hazelwood Central during his last few games as a freshman, "and from then on, he made me look like I knew what I was doing," Hotfelder says. Hazelwood



Central won more than 90 percent of its games and captured four league titles during Vanzant's four seasons.

But Missouri never had a winning season while Vanzant was a Tiger.

"He was a shell of the player that he was when he was here," Hotfelter says. "It just goes to show you that you're one play away from a major injury that could end your career. That's why the education is so important."

Vanzant was on the verge of playing at Missouri, on the verge of expanding his reputation, on the verge of putting his name on the lists of NFL scouts.

Or so he thought.

But in the summer of 1986, about a month after he had graduated from Hazelwood Central High, Vanzant's career took a different path while he was playing in the state all-star game at Lincoln University in Jefferson, Mo.

"He didn't have to play in the game," Hotfelter says. "Missouri gave him the option, and he decided to play. Everyone loved watching him run."

In this particular game, Vanzant ran a sweep and started to juke a defender when he collapsed on the grassy field.

"No one hit him — we have it on tape — but his knee just buckled on him and he went down," Hotfelter says.

"I was getting ready to stop to reverse my field, and my front foot went into a hole and twisted as I turned. I never heard it pop," remembers Vanzant, now 28 and a sturdy 6-3, 225 pounds. "I thought I just twisted it. I felt pain, and I got up and went to the sideline and I could run around. But then when I stopped running, it stiffened up, and I told them I couldn't play anymore."

A week later, after the swelling went down, a doctor examined his left knee. The prognosis: a torn anterior cruciate ligament.

Vanzant said he has never regretted playing in that all-star game.

"It could have happened if I stepped off a curb wrong," he says of his career-altering injury. "It's just one of those things. When you see it on film, you can't tell it's real bad. I used to watch the film a lot because I wanted to see what happened. It never really bothered me to look at it."

Because of the injury, Vanzant couldn't attend Missouri in September 1986. He started attending classes in January 1987, though, and underwent a rigorous rehabilitation process on his knee. That fall, he was ready to make his return to football.

"I wasn't quite 100 percent, but I was getting back to where I used to be," he says. "I ran a 4.4 (40-yard dash) for the college scouts."

Vanzant played sparingly for the Tigers that year and figured to have his knee at full strength during his sophomore season.

It didn't work out that way. During spring practice the next season, Vanzant injured his *other* knee.

"They told me it was torn but said if I had surgery, I would never play again," Vanzant says. "They wrapped it up and I had a brace made for it, and it didn't bother me at all."

But it did slow him down and limit his effectiveness. Vanzant redshirted his sophomore year, then finally, two years after sustaining the injury, underwent reconstructive surgery on his right knee early in the season.

"I had it operated on in order for them to pay for it," Vanzant says.

Also known as an outstanding hurdler in high school, Vanzant talks about his knee injuries calmly, matter of factly. There was a time, how-

two seasons as a Buena Vista assistant before becoming the head coach. "I'm just trying to teach them about their attitude and their respect — and showing them it's not about holding a grudge."

"It's really a basketball school. Basketball's a power here, and we're trying to show them that basketball isn't the only sport. It's starting to work; we're starting to get some basketball players out for the football team."



**Vanzant, shown here with his girlfriend, Dianna, and their two-year-old daughter, Deanna, was the top-rated running back prospect in America in 1986. Two knee injuries cut short Vanzant's once-promising career.**

ever, when the injuries caused him anguish.

"I always used to sit at home and think about how things could have been," he says. "I'd see all the All-Americans playing and know I should be right there with them. It was frustrating."

And, then, about six years ago, he met Dianna Cage at a party on the Missouri campus.

"She changed my life," Vanzant says. "She made me realize football's not everything. Nothing is guaranteed in this world. I didn't look at it that way before, but she's changed my attitude and made me realize, 'What if I played one year and then got hurt?' You still need something else to fall back on."

It took Vanzant a while to get football out of his system.

"It was hard because he didn't want to let it go," Cage says. "And it caused problems with us. One time, he got up and went to Arizona for a tryout at a training camp in '92 . . . and there were bills and responsibilities back here."

"He's more responsible now. This was the first year we've been together a lot since Deanna (their two-year-old daughter) was born."

Vanzant is now the varsity football coach at Saginaw's Buena Vista High, where he also earns \$10 an hour as a part-time security guard.

"I love coaching; it's nice being around kids when they're willing to learn," he says.

In Vanzant's rookie coaching season last year, Buena Vista went 3-6 with a team that had just three seniors.

"We're a young team, and it'll take us a year or two to get organized," notes Vanzant, who spent

Vanzant, who played some semipro football until two years ago, shows the same highlight film to his players that is shown to players at his old high school. The star of the film, of course, is Vanzant.

"I show it to them not to show them what I did, but to show them what happens when you work hard," Vanzant says. "A lot of kids didn't believe what I was telling them, so I piled a lot of them in the van, took them home and showed them the tapes and trophies. A lot of them didn't believe me."

"I told them that the reason I'm coaching now is because I had something to fall back on."

Vanzant hopes to earn his college degree (he is 15 credits shy) and become a physical education teacher.

"I promised my mom and dad I would go back to school," he says. "And my girlfriend doesn't want our daughter to think it's all right not to finish school."

"If I keep nagging him, he *will* go back," Cage says.

Vanzant has aspirations of teaching physical education and of becoming a football coach at a junior college in Missouri so he can be back with his family. Full time.

"I don't want my daughter growing up not knowing who her dad is," says Vanzant, who stays with his sister when working in Saginaw. "I want to be there for her."

Cage, a 1993 graduate of Columbia (Mo.) College, and the couple's young daughter live in Columbia.

COURTESY OF TONY VANZANT



# 1986 athlon top 100

Rk.	Name, Position	Hometown	School	Rk.	Name, Position	Hometown	School
1.	Jeff George, qb	Indianapolis, IN	Purdue	51.	Kenny Walker, de	Crane, TX	Nebraska
2.	Tony Vanzant, rb	Florissant, MO	Missouri	52.	Tracy Williams, rb	Sarasota, FL	Michigan
3.	Harvey Williams, rb	Hempstead, TX	LSU	53.	Robert Wynn, de	Watson Chapel, AR	Arkansas
4.	Dan McGwire, qb	Claremont, CA	Iowa	54.	Torin Dorn, rb	Southfield, MI	No. Carolina
5.	Mark Carrier, fs	Long Beach, CA	USC	55.	Jeff Pearson, og	Burbank, IL	Notre Dame
6.	Al Baker, rb	Cadiz, KY	Kentucky	56.	Ed Pedersen, ot	DeKalb, IL	Illinois
7.	Cleveland Colter, ss	Tempe, AZ	USC	57.	Don Gibson, dt	Orange, CA	USC
8.	David Fair, rb	Starkville, MS	Miss. St.	58.	Allen Jefferson, eb	Warren, MI	Michigan
9.	Pierre Goode, rb/wr	Town Creek, AL	Alabama	59.	Tom Bill, qb	Flemington, NJ	Penn State
10.	Percy Waddle, wr	Columbus, TX	Texas A&M	60.	Michael Ford, wr	San Pedro, CA	California
11.	Melvin Foster, lb	Houston, TX	Iowa	61.	Allen Hagaman, ot	Clearwater, FL	Duke
12.	Billy Ray, qb	Dunwoody, GA	Alabama	62.	Alan Ward, pk	Pensacola, FL	Alabama
13.	Mike Kohlmoos, ot	Visalia, CA	Stanford	63.	Dennis Brown, dt	Long Beach, CA	Washington
14.	Dirk Borgognone, pk	Reno, NV	Tennessee	64.	Zack Dumas, db	Deptford, NJ	Ohio State
15.	Anthony Burnett, cb	Lynwood, CA	UCLA	65.	Mike Miller, ol	Plainfield, IL	Iowa
16.	Eric Turner, ss	Venture, CA	UCLA	66.	Jake Young, og	Midland, TX	Nebraska
17.	Greg McMurtry, wr	Brockton, MA	Michigan	67.	Jeff Davidson, ot	Westerville, OH	Ohio State
18.	Willis Peguese, lb	Miami, FL	Miami (FL)	68.	Cecil Gray, dt	Norfolk, VA	No. Carolina
19.	Brent Collins, lb	Dandridge, TN	Georgia	69.	Willie Williams, te	Houston, TX	LSU
20.	Rocen Keeton, lb	Gardena, CA	UCLA	70.	Bernard Hall, qb	Detroit, MI	Oklahoma
21.	Sean Smith, cb	Opelika, AL	Auburn	71.	Tony Boles, rb	Westland, MI	Michigan
22.	Darius Frazier, lb	Hallendale, FL	Miami (FL)	72.	Nigel Clay, og	Fontana, CA	Oklahoma
23.	Art Greathouse, rb	Tempe, AZ	Arizona	73.	Brian Kielbasa, dt	Streamwood, IL	Minnesota
24.	Vance Hammond, dt	Spartanburg, SC	Clemson	74.	Kirk Kirkpatrick, lb	Valrico, FL	Florida
25.	Charles Arbuckle, te	Missouri City, TX	UCLA	75.	Alfred Rawls, rb	Wilcox, GA	Georgia
26.	Walker Lee Watkins, rb	Ft. Lauderdale, FL	LSU	76.	Dennis Wallace, qb/db	Carrollton, GA	Auburn
27.	Warde Manuel, dt	New Orleans, LA	Michigan	77.	James Francis, de	La Marque, TX	Baylor
28.	Cary Conklin, qb	Yakima, WA	Washington	78.	Octavius Gould, rb	Pemberton, NJ	Florida
29.	Dan Kissling, fb	Oregon, Wis.	Wisconsin	79.	David Winsley, de	Flagstaff, AZ	Arizona State
30.	Ed McCaffrey, te	Allentown, PA	Stanford	80.	James Goode, de	Houston, TX	Oklahoma
31.	T. J. Osman, dt	North Hills, PA	Michigan	81.	Lance Zeno, og	Fountain Valley, CA	UCLA
32.	Tony Stewart, rb	Union, NJ	Iowa	82.	Mike Arthur, c	Houston, TX	Texas A&M
33.	Mike Welch, fs	Sweetwater, TX	Baylor	83.	Brian Benio, lb	Roswell, GA	Georgia
34.	Lance Pavlas, qb	Tomball, TX	Texas A&M	84.	Eric Briscoe, cb	Fort Lee, NJ	Washington
35.	Zarak Peters, dt	Ft. Bend, TX	Oklahoma	85.	Kenny Coleman, lb	Dayton, OH	Ohio State
36.	Brian Jones, lb	Lubbock, TX	UCLA	86.	Curtis Feaster, lb	Flint, MI	Michigan
37.	Sal Aunese, qb	Vista, CA	Colorado	87.	Geoff Japchen, lb	Doylestown, PA	Penn State
38.	Terry Rodgers, wr	National City, CA	Nebraska	88.	Dean Kirkland, dt	Vancouver, WA	Washington
39.	Mark Fletcher, fs	Acworth, GA	Georgia	89.	Cortez Martin, rb	Bluefield, WV	Clemson
40.	Lionel Sykes, te	St. Louis, MO	Illinois	90.	Bill Peckman, lb	Elizabeth, PA	TX A&M
41.	Quinn Grove, qb	Duncan, OK	Arkansas	91.	John Peterson, ot	Middletown, OH	Ohio State
42.	Alvin Harper, wr	Frostproof, FL	Tennessee	92.	Scott Stark, qb	S. Juan Capistrano, CA	Stanford
43.	Demetrius Hill, dt	Meridian, MS	SW Louisiana	93.	Tim Williams, de	Milwaukee, WI	Michigan
44.	Eric Jonassen, ot	Baltimore, MD	Penn State	94.	Jeff Dunn, qb	Greensboro, NC	Alabama
45.	Ronald Lewis, wr	Jacksonville, FL	Florida State	95.	Doug Glaser, ot	Mesquite, TX	Nebraska
46.	Michael Owens, rb	Carlisle, PA	Syracuse	96.	Clarence Jones, dt	Central Islip, NY	Maryland
47.	Pat O'Moorow, pk	Radford, VA	Ohio State	97.	Anthony Thompson, rb	Terre Haute, IN	Indiana
48.	Brad Quast, lb	Des Plaines, IL	Iowa	98.	Charles Bell, qb	Waco, TX	Baylor
49.	Tim Ryan, ng	San Jose, CA	USC	99.	Mark Keough, de	St. Louis, MO	Missouri
50.	Dave Szott, og	Clifton, NJ	Penn State	100.	Terance Miller, rb	Lewisville, TX	Oklahoma State

## Top 101-120?

Other notable freshmen in 1986 who did not make *Athlon's* Top 100 list.

Barry Sanders	RB	Oklahoma State	Antone Davis	OL	Tennessee
Scott Mitchell	QB	Utah	Charles McRae	OL	Tennessee
Andre Ware	QB	Houston	Derek Loville	RB	Oregon
Russell Maryland	DL	Miami (FL)	Bill Musgrave	QB	Oregon
Dexter Carter	RB	Florida State	Moe Gardner	DL	Illinois
Percy Snow	LB	Michigan State	Merton Hanks	DB	Iowa
Darrell Thompson	RB	Minnesota	Leroy Hoard	RB	Michigan
Tony Rice	QB	Notre Dame	Rickie Proehl	RB	Wake Forest
Rob Moore	WR	Syracuse	Frank Thomas*	L/1B	Auburn
Major Harris	QB	West Virginia			
Lamar Lathon	LB	Houston			
Terry Allen	RB	Clemson			

\*Gave up football after freshman year to concentrate on another sport.

After his football team finished its season last November, Vanzant made the 10-hour drive to Columbia and lived with his family until late April.

"He has to go back to get ready for the season, start the weight-lifting program and find out who's been accepted to college," says Cage, a 27-year-old graphic artist and typesetter for *The Missourian*, a daily newspaper.

"It's tough on all of us, and I'm concerned with Deanna because she's gotten really attached to him, and it's tough when he leaves," says Cage, who uses vacation time and takes her daughter to Michigan to be with Vanzant during the year. "If I could get a job up there, I'd go. Or if he gets a job here, that would be fine, too. I'm just concerned with Deanna and how this will affect her."

"I'm trying to work my way back to Missouri so I can be closer to my family," Vanzant says.

**W**hile Vanzant's promising football career took a U-turn before he even reached college, Octavius Gould's future changed dramatically after he had starred for a year in college.

Gould, a running back from Pemberton (N.J.) High, appeared headed toward stardom. He was the 78th player on *Athlon's* Top 100 list in 1986, and he gained a team-high 562 yards on 156 carries and scored four touchdowns as a University of Florida freshman.

At the time, Gould seemed on his way toward an NFL career. Then Florida signed a hotshot high school player who took away Gould's starting job the next year.

The hotshot, named Emmitt Smith, was inserted into the lineup after Gould was sidelined with a rib injury. He was the same Emmitt Smith who is now a Dallas Cowboys star and a probable future Hall of Famer.

With Gould injured, Smith, then a freshman, stepped into the fray and gained 109 yards on 10 carries with two touchdowns in a 52-0 win over Tulsa. Then Smith set what was then a school record for carries (39) and yards rushing (224) as Florida upset Alabama.

Gould, who said his rib injury had completely healed, carried the ball just once against Alabama.

Unhappy with his playing time, Gould transferred to the University of Minnesota, where he had a mediocre 1988 season (326 yards on 77 carries). He missed the 1989 season because of a neck injury, then made himself eligible for the NFL draft the next year.

Gould never played in the NFL, though he later played with the Orlando Thunder of



the World League of American Football.

The University of Florida and the University of Minnesota didn't know Gould's whereabouts when contacted earlier this year. Neither did his high school coach in New Jersey, Bill McDowell.

"I haven't seen him in about four years," McDowell said this spring. "If you find him, tell him to give me a call. The last time I saw him, he borrowed a couple hundred dollars."

While Gould had a rocky journey and didn't make it to the NFL, several players from *Athlon's* high school All-America Class of '86 did, including Jeff George, who blossomed into one of the league's top quarterbacks last season with the Atlanta Falcons. George enjoyed the best season of his career in 1995, completing 336-of-557 passes (60.3 percent) for 4,143 yards. He threw 24 touchdown aerials against just 11 interceptions.

George, who attended Purdue and Illinois, threw for the most yardage and completed the most passes in any single season in Atlanta's 30-year history.

The Class of '86 had other top-notch quarterbacks, including Dan McGwire (the No. 4-rated high school player that season), Billy Ray (No. 12), Cary Conklin (No. 28), Lance Pavlas (No. 34), Sal Aunese (No. 37), Quinn Grovey (No. 41), Tom Bill (No. 59), Bernard Hall (No. 70), Scott Stark (No. 92), Jeff Dunn (No. 94) and Charles Bell (No. 98).

The 6-8, 239-pound McGwire, the brother of baseball slugger Mark McGwire, starred at Claremont (Calif.) High and, after transferring from Iowa, at San Diego State, and was a backup with the Miami Dolphins last year. Conklin served as a backup quarterback with the San Francisco 49ers in 1995.

None of the other All-America high school quarterbacks of 1986 ever reached the NFL.

Ray seemed headed to the pros. He attended Alabama, then transferred to Duke, where he completed 274-of-438 passes for 3,282 yards and set a school record for career completion percentage (62.6). He threw 23 touchdown passes and conceded 19 interceptions.

In 1990, Ray shared the quarterback duties with Dave Brown, who has been a starter with the New York Giants the last two seasons. But Ray never made it past an NFL camp.

**A**unese, a star quarterback from Vista, Calif., attended the University of Colorado and became tragically ill. On Sept. 23, 1989, at the age of 21, he died of stomach cancer.

Aunese, who left behind a son who was born to the 19-year-old daughter of Colorado coach Bill McCartney, was regarded as a gritty leader whose sheer will to win often allowed him to overcome his shortcomings as a passer. In 1988, before his cancer was diagnosed, Aunese led Colorado to an 8-4 record and a spot in the Freedom Bowl.

Before he died, Aunese wrote a message to his

teammates. The note was read posthumously, and it stated, in part: "Do not be saddened that you no longer see me in the flesh, because I assure you that I will always be with you in spirit. Strive only for victory each time we play. . . . Go get 'em, and bring home the Orange Bowl."

"He was very popular, very unselfish," says McCartney, who is now out of football and does



**Cancer tragically cut short the life of Colorado's Sal Aunese in 1989 at just 21 years of age. In 1986, Aunese was *Athlon's* No. 37-ranked high school prospect in the nation.**

charity work for Promise Keepers, an organization for born-again Christians. "Everybody liked him; he didn't have any enemies."

"It was a very difficult time," says McCartney, adding that the close-knit Aunese family "moved from California and set up camp here" to assist the stricken quarterback. "We watched him fade and lose his hair and lose weight . . . and he never complained. He always said he was going to beat this thing. He always stayed positive."

Before his death, prior to the 1989 season, Colorado dedicated the year to Aunese. The team had "Sal" embroidered on the sleeves of its jerseys throughout the season.

Colorado compiled an 11-1 record that season, a year that ended with a 21-6 loss to Notre Dame in the Orange Bowl. With the loss, Colorado missed a chance to win the national championship.

Aunese's memory lives on — through his son, Timothy Chase, a somewhat shy 7-year-old who is known as "T.C." to relatives and friends.

T.C. "certainly resembles Sal," McCartney says. "He's a good athlete and a good student. He throws the ball around a lot, and he looks like he's going to be a quarterback."

"People tell me," McCartney adds with a smile, "that compared to guys his age, he throws the ball well."

Spoken like a former football coach — and a proud grandfather. **A**

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# Big 12 Predictions



## The Teams

### BIG 12

Colorado	100
Iowa State	104
Kansas	108
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Nebraska	120
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## Predicted Order of Finish

### North

1. Nebraska
2. Colorado
3. Kansas
4. Kansas State
5. Iowa State
6. Missouri

### South

1. Texas
2. Texas A&M
3. Texas Tech
4. Baylor
5. Oklahoma
6. Oklahoma State

**T**his year marks the 25th anniversary of a unique year. In 1971, Nebraska, Oklahoma and Colorado, all in the Big Eight, finished an unprecedented 1-2-3 in the final polls.

Oklahoma lost only to Nebraska. Colorado lost only to Nebraska and Oklahoma. Nebraska didn't lose to anybody.

Nebraska, Oklahoma and Colorado are still around, but the Big Eight is no more. It has disbanded, and its former member schools have joined with half of the now-defunct Southwest Conference to form the Big 12, which debuts as the strongest conference in college football.

Nebraska, of course, is the defending national champion for a second straight year. Colorado, Kansas and Kansas State are coming off 10-win seasons capped by bowl victories. Texas also won 10 games; Texas A&M and Texas Tech won nine each. Baylor won seven and didn't receive a bowl bid.

The new league is divided into Northern and Southern divisions, but north, south, east or west, all signs point to Nebraska, which won the last four Big Eight titles outright. Seven starters are back from a defense that destroyed Florida's vaunted high-octane "system" in the Fiesta Bowl.

The Cornhuskers repeated last year with an offensive line that returned only one starter from the famous 1994 crew; no such rebuilding job is needed in 1996. Three All-Big Eight performers return up front. I-back Ahman Green started only six games as a true freshman yet rushed for more than 1,000 yards. Nebraska won its 12th NCAA rushing title with 399.8 yards per game, the second-highest average in school history.

The only concern is at quarterback, where Tommie Frazier is gone. The new man will almost certainly be 6-3, 215-pound Scott Frost, a transfer from Stanford. Scary thought: Charlie McBride, Nebraska's defensive coordinator, says Frost is "bigger, stronger and faster" than Frazier. Head coach Tom Osborne, a master of understatement, simply says that Frost is "quite talented."

Colorado returns 16 starters, including all its skill position people, and also gets back quarterback Koy Detmer, who suffered a knee injury in the fourth game a year ago. The receiving corps boasts all-star candidates everywhere. Guard Chris Naeole and linebacker Matt Russell should bid for All-America honors.

The top returnee at Kansas is coach Glen Mason, who accepted the job at Georgia for a few days and then decided he really didn't want to leave. The Jayhawks have 14 starters back, plus two from 1994. They are counting on senior Ben Rutz to take over at quarterback.

Kansas State also will feature a new quarterback in Brian Kavanagh, who took over for the injured Matt Miller in the second quarter of the Holiday Bowl and earned MVP honors with a 242-yard, four-touchdown performance against Colorado State. The Wildcats have perhaps the best secondary in the nation, led by cornerbacks Chris Canty and Joe Gordon.



Iowa State has All-America running back Troy Davis (2,010 yards), 14 other starters and too many of the same old problems. Missouri is getting better and could surprise if quarterback Corby Jones throws as well as tailback Brock Olivo runs. The Tigers can field a player with starting experience at every position on offense.

The Southern Division is where the four Southwest Conference newcomers reside. Texas won the final SWC crown and has 14 starters back to shoot for the first Southern Division title. Seven starters return on offense, including quarterback James Brown, the 1-2 running back punch of Shon Mitchell and Ricky Williams, great receivers in wideout Mike Adams and tight end Pat Fitzgerald, and All-America guard Dan Neil. The entire secondary returns on defense, and Phil Dawson is an outstanding placekicker if he recovers from a spring knee injury.

A funny thing happened to the Texas A&M Aggies en route to the 1995 national championship — they tied for second in the Southwest Conference. The entire offensive backfield is gone, including tailback Leeland McElroy. The new quarterback is Brannndon Stewart, who saw the handwriting on the wall (i.e., Peyton Manning) at Tennessee, transferred and sat out last season. The “wrecking crew” defense has All-America end Brandon Mitchell and outside linebacker Keith (no relation) Mitchell, a terrific pass-rusher.

Texas Tech was three points away from being 11-1 last year. The Red Raiders will put points on the board, led by tailback Byron Hanspard and quarterback Zebbie Lethridge. The defense needs some retooling after losing All-America linebacker Zach Thomas and rover Marcus Coleman.

Baylor is in the same boat as Texas Tech — most people back on offense, heavy losses on defense. Tailback Jerod Douglas is as dangerous as they come and quarterback Jeff Watson has two years of starting experience.

Oklahoma — how the mighty have fallen. Coach Howard Schnelberger completed the demise last year with a 5-5-1 record, including a shocking 12-0 loss to Oklahoma State. The latest fad in the Heartland is bumper stickers reading, “OSU 12 . . .” The Sooners aren’t mentioned and probably won’t be a factor for a while in the Big 12 under coach John Blake, late of the Dallas Cowboys. Running back James Allen is a legitimate talent.

Oklahoma State is in the second year of coach Bob Simmons’ rebuilding effort, which still has a ways to go. Keep an eye on tailback David Thompson and cornerback R.W. McQuarters.



**Offensive Player  
of the Year**

**RB Troy Davis  
Iowa State**

DAVID PRESTON



**Defensive Player  
of the Year**

**CB Chris Canty  
Kansas State**

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## athlon all-big 12 team

### OFFENSE

WR	Mike Adams	6-1	187	Sr.	Texas
WR	Kevin Lockett	6-1	180	Sr.	Kansas State
TE	Pat Fitzgerald	6-2	225	Sr.	Texas
OL	Chris Naeole	6-4	295	Sr.	Colorado
OL	Dan Neil	6-2	285	Sr.	Texas
OL	Chris Dishman	6-3	310	Sr.	Nebraska
OL	Aaron Taylor	6-1	305	Jr.	Nebraska
OL	Calvin Collins	6-3	290	Sr.	Texas A&M
QB	Koy Detmer	6-1	185	Sr.	Colorado
RB	Troy Davis	5-8	190	Jr.	Iowa State
RB	Ahman Green	6-0	210	So.	Nebraska

### DEFENSE

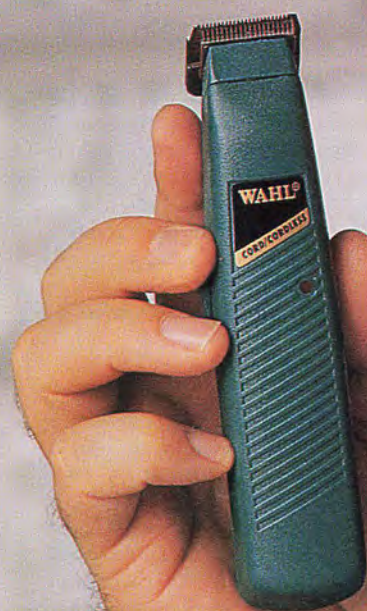
DL	Jared Tomich	6-2	260	Sr.	Nebraska
DL	Brandon Mitchell	6-4	275	Sr.	Texas A&M
DL	Chris Akins	6-1	292	Jr.	Texas
DL	Grant Wistrom	6-5	250	Jr.	Nebraska
LB	Matt Russell	6-2	245	Sr.	Colorado
LB	Tyrell Peters	6-0	223	Sr.	Oklahoma
LB	Terrell Farley	6-1	205	Sr.	Nebraska
DB	Chris Canty	5-10	190	Jr.	Kansas State
DB	Bryant Westbrook	6-0	195	Sr.	Texas
DB	Joe Gordon	5-9	180	Sr.	Kansas State
DB	DeMontie Cross	6-4	209	Sr.	Missouri

### SPECIALISTS

KR	R.W. McQuarters	5-11	185	So.	Oklahoma St.
PR	Dane Johnson	5-11	179	So.	Texas Tech
K	Phil Dawson	5-11	187	Jr.	Texas
P	Brian Lewis	6-2	220	So.	Oklahoma



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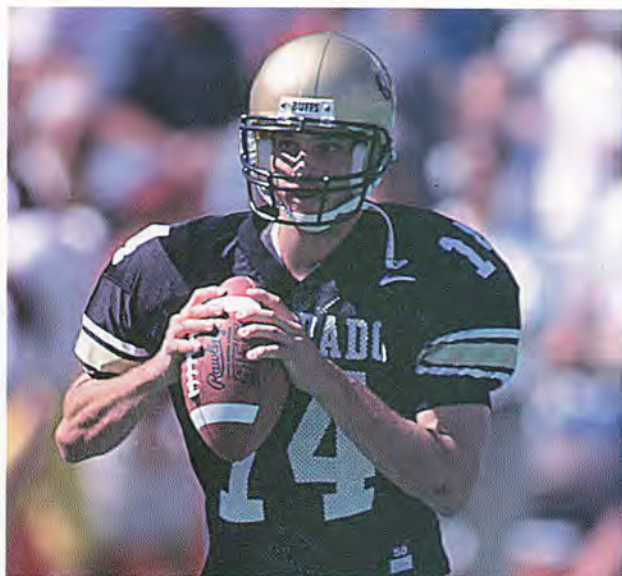
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**T**he difference between Colorado and Nebraska wasn't nearly as great as the score might have indicated. "We matched them in intensity. We matched them in speed. We were just unable to match them with execution," Rick Neuheisel said after his team lost to the Cornhuskers 44-21.

Nebraska was nearly perfect in its execution that afternoon in Boulder, Colo. The Huskers didn't lose a fumble, didn't throw an interception (Colorado threw two). And they weren't assessed any penalty yardage, a rare occurrence that drew postgame criticism from Neuheisel — and an official reprimand of Neuheisel by the Big Eight Conference.



Koy Detmer

That's how Nebraska games have gone for Colorado in recent seasons. The Buffaloes haven't beaten Nebraska since 1990. "There's not a guy on this team who's beaten Nebraska," senior offensive guard Kyle Smith said before last season's game. "We basically need to learn how to beat them."

If the Buffaloes can do that and survive what appears to be one of the nation's toughest schedules, they could make a run at the national championship this season. They are experienced and talented, and they have supplemented that experience and talent with another outstanding recruiting class.

## quarterbacks

Senior Koy Detmer returns after being sidelined by a torn anterior cruciate ligament in his right knee. The injury occurred in the first quarter of the fourth game of the season, a 29-21 victory over Texas A&M. Then Detmer tried to play against Kansas with a brace before undergoing reconstructive surgery.

Detmer was the nation's leading passer before the injury. In barely 11 quarters last season, he completed 65-of-95 passes for 1,101 yards and

eight touchdowns, with only two interceptions, and led the Buffaloes to 22 scores in the 40 drives he began. The quarterback play of a healthy Detmer is "as good as it's going to get," according to Neuheisel.

With Detmer's return, junior John Hessler becomes the best backup quarterback in the conference. Hessler broke or tied 12 individual school records in Detmer's absence, including touchdown passes in a season (20). Twice, he threw five touchdown passes in a game (the first against Oklahoma in his first career start), and he finished as the 14th-ranked passer in the NCAA.

## running backs

The Buffaloes' three-wide-out, one-back attack ranked first in the conference and eighth nationally in passing offense last season, complemented nicely by the running game. Herchell Troutman was the starter in what the Colorado sports information office nicknamed the "Thoroughbred Trio." Troutman led the Buffaloes in rushing with 826 yards and five touchdowns.

London Henry picked up 463 yards and four scores. And Marlon Barnes, the No. 3 tailback, had 444 yards and a team-high six rushing touchdowns. Troutman, Henry and Barnes all are juniors.

## receivers

After Nebraska overwhelmed Florida in the Fiesta Bowl, Cornhusker defensive backs coach George Darlington answered a question about the Gators' speed at wide receiver. "Quite frankly, I thought Colorado had more speed than Florida," he said. And Colorado's receivers all return, headed up by senior Rae Carruth, an All-Big Eight and third-team All-America selection after leading the conference in receiving yards per game (91.6). Carruth, a sprinter on the Buffaloes' track team (he runs the 40-yard dash in 4.17) caught 53 passes for 1,008 yards and nine touchdowns last season.

Junior Phil Savoy, the team's second-fastest player with 4.35 speed, caught 49 passes for 582 yards and five touchdowns. And senior James Kidd, at step slower than Savoy at 4.37, had 23 catches for 424 yards (18.4 per catch) and five touchdowns.

Senior tight end Matt Lepsis was among the Buffaloes' most-improved players last season, catching 25 passes for 341 yards and two scores.

## offensive linemen

The only offensive starters Colorado lost were in the line, at center and guard. Senior Kyle Smith has moved from tackle to fill the vacancy at guard. Smith had eight starts before suffering a broken right foot. Senior Kris Soden takes over at center. His backup is sophomore Adam Reed, who sat out last season after a transfer from Northwestern.







The holdovers include senior guard Chris Naeole, a unanimous All-Big Eight selection, and junior tackles Melvin Thomas and Andrew Welsh.

## defensive linemen

Senior Greg Jones heads up Colorado's defensive front at one end, with sophomore Nick Ziegler, a two-game starter, moving up at the other end.

Junior Ryan Olson returns at nose tackle. Junior Viliami Maumau will be the other starting tackle, after spending last season as Olson's backup. Maumau started one game and played more snaps than any other defensive backup.

## linebackers

The top seven linebackers on the Cotton Bowl depth chart return, led by senior Matt Russell, a unanimous first-team all-conference selection, in the middle. "Matt might not be as athletic as some of the guys we've had here. But he's all heart," says linebackers coach Brian Cabral. "He plays with a lot of emotion, and he plays hard from start to finish. Every coach enjoys having a guy like him to coach."

Russell is flanked by sophomore Hannibal Navies on the weak side and junior Ron Merkersen on the strong side. Merkersen was among Colorado's most improved defensive players.

## defensive backs

Two Cotton Bowl starters are gone, but senior cornerback Dalton Simmons returns after missing last season because of a knee injury suffered in

the 1995 Fiesta Bowl game. Simmons was a starter before the injury. He'll join senior free safety Steve Rosga and senior cornerback Kenny Wilkins to give the Buffaloes a solid base from which to build their secondary.

Junior Ryan Black will open at strong safety. He had 15 tackles in the Nebraska game.

## kicking game

Junior Jason Lesley will handle all of the place-kicking duties, after being used primarily for kickoffs last season. Junior Andy Mitchell returns as the punter. Despite having five blocked last season, Mitchell still averaged 39.8 yards per punt. Junior Ryan Sutter, a defensive back, was the Buffaloes' most active special teams player a year ago.

Rosga and Carruth again will return punts. Rosga ranked third in the Big Eight last season, averaging 10.1 yards on 16 returns. Troutman and Henry were the top kickoff returners.

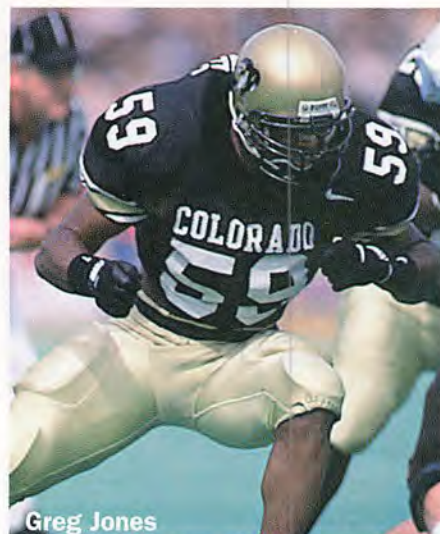
Colorado could improve in the special teams area. The Buffaloes ranked fifth in the conference in both punt returns and kickoff returns, and they were last (and 94th nationally) in net punting.

## rising star

Weak-side linebacker Navies played in only six games as a true freshman last season, but he was among Colorado's best special-teams players. He ran the 100 meters in :10.59 and the 40-yard dash in :04.4 in in high school.

## final analysis

Colorado finishes the season in a showcase matchup against Nebraska at Lincoln. The game



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likely will decide the Big 12's Northern Division championship and earn the winner a trip to St. Louis to play the Southern Division champion on Dec. 7. It also could have national championship implications.

Even though the transition from Bill McCartney to Neuheisel went smoothly, the Buffaloes are bound to benefit from a season's worth of experience under their youthful, 35-year-old leader. In Neuheisel's first season as a head coach, Colorado went 10-2, including a 38-6 victory over Oregon in the Cotton Bowl.

Neuheisel's philosophy proved to be as sound as that of his predecessor. "We try to attack on defense to get the other offense going backward and get our offense back on the field," he says.

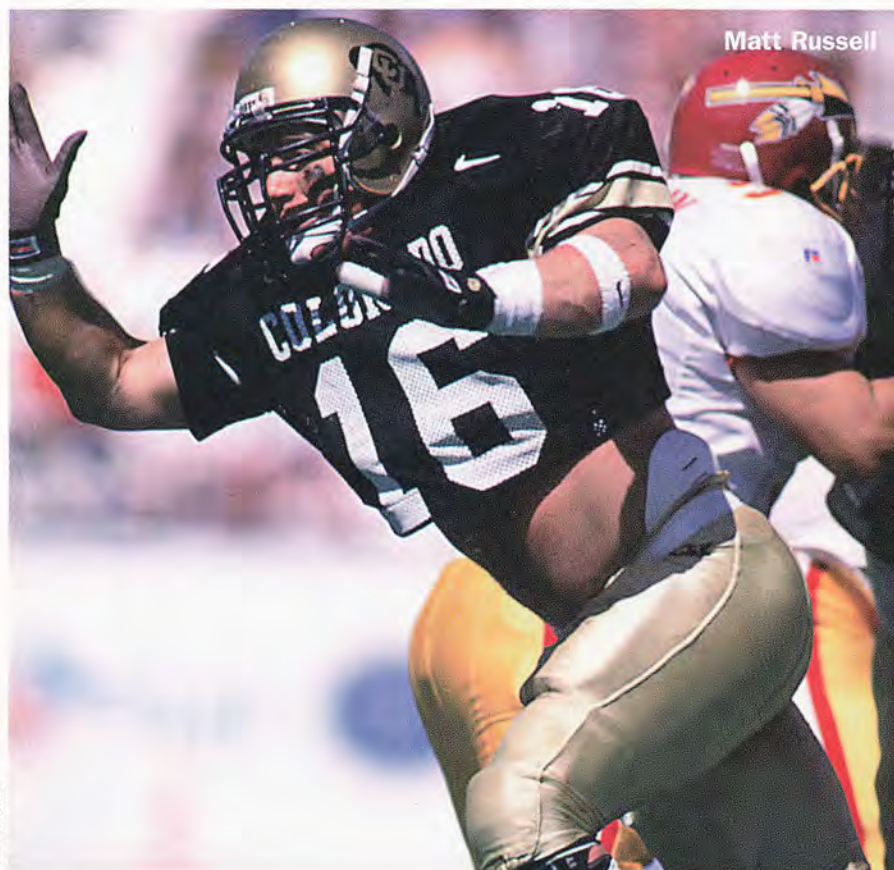
## ALL-TIME BUFFALOES 1890-1995

### Offense

WR	Michael Westbrook	1991-94
WR	Cliff Branch	1970-71
OL	Stan Brock	1976-79
OL	Mike Montler	1966-68
OL	Jay Leeuwenburg	1989-91
OL	Joe Garten	1987-90
OL	Joe Romig	1959-61
QB	Bobby Anderson	1967-69
RB	Byron "Whizzer" White	1935-37
RB	Rashaan Salaam	1993-94
RB	Eric Bieniemy	1987-90
K	Tom Field	1979-83

### Defense

DL	Herb Orvis	1969-71
DL	Laval Short	1976-79
DL	Troy Archer	1974-75
DL	Bill McGlone	1923-26
LB	Alfred Williams	1987-90
LB	Barry Remington	1982, 84-86
LB	Kanavis McGhee	1987-90
DB	Dick Anderson	1965-67
DB	Mickey Pruitt	1984-87
DB	Chris Hudson	1991-94
DB	John Stearns	1970-72
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# COLORADO ROSTER

**1995 Record:**  
**Big Eight Record:**

**10-2-0**  
**5-2-0**

**Head Coach:**  
**Rick Neuheisel**

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	CL.	HOMETOWN
12	Abdul-Rahmaan, Ayub	QB	6-0	205	Jr.	Oakland, CA
25	Aldrich, Jeremy	P	5-10	165	So.	Federal Heights, CO
18	Anderson, Chris	WR	6-4	220	Jr.	LaPorte, TX
32	Angus, Daniel	TE	6-6	245	Fr.	Memphis, TN
85	Avril, James	TE	6-3	260	So.	Nashville, TN
9	Barnes, Marlon	TB	5-11	195	Jr.	Memphis, TN
6	Black, Ryan	SS	5-10	180	Jr.	Phoenix, AZ
56	Bussey, Tyronee	SLB	6-2	230	Fr.	Detroit, MI
48	Cade, Terrell	DE	6-4	240	So.	San Diego, CA
21	Carruth, Rae	WR	5-11	190	Sr.	Sacramento, CA
10	Cherrington, Dwayne	TB	5-10	185	Fr.	Santa Ana, CA
6	Chiaverini, Darrin	WR	6-2	190	So.	Corona, CA
92	Cirulli, Matthew	DT	6-1	260	So.	Brentwood, TN
72	Cook, Shane	OT	6-7	285	Fr.	Lakewood, CO
5	Cooper, Tavon	FS	5-11	185	Fr.	Glendale, AZ
98	Cornist, Zeb	DT	6-4	275	Fr.	Lewisville, TX
73	Cullum, Kane	OT	6-4	280	Fr.	Tarzana, CA
4	Davis, Elton	CB	5-9	175	Jr.	Boulder, CO
89	Dennis, Desmond	TE	6-3	260	Jr.	Oxon Hill, MD
14	Detmer, Koy	QB	6-1	185	Sr.	Mission, TX
22	Dickey, Damon	CB	5-10	180	Fr.	San Diego, CA
38	English, Kenny	ILB	5-9	225	Fr.	Denver, CO
43	Fisk, Darren	FB	6-1	230	Jr.	Los Gatos, CA
31	Flavin, Matt	TE	5-9	185	Fr.	Sanford, CO
96	Formey, Mike	TB	6-4	230	Jr.	Colorado Spgs., CO
49	Gustafson, John	FS	5-11	195	So.	Ponca City, OK
86	Heffner, Brody	TE	6-5	230	Fr.	Del Mar, CA
45	Henriques, Maurice	SS	6-1	205	Sr.	Houston, TX
39	Henry, Lendon	TB	6-0	190	Jr.	Port Arthur, TX
7	Hessler, John	QB	6-2	195	Jr.	Brighton, CO
58	Hohanningmeier, Ryan	OG	6-7	270	Fr.	Louisville, CO
13	Jones, Fred	DE	6-3	270	Fr.	San Diego, CA
59	Jones, Greg	DE	6-4	250	Sr.	Littleton, CO
79	Jones, Matt	OT	6-5	290	Sr.	Bucyrus, OH
2	Kidd, James	WR	5-8	160	Sr.	Elk Grove, CA
63	Kish, Corey	OG	6-4	275	Fr.	Boulder, CO
13	Leonard, Gabe	QB	6-0	185	Fr.	Iron Mountain, MI
88	Lepis, Matt	TE	6-5	265	Sr.	Frisco, TX
12	Lesley, Jason	PK	5-8	165	Jr.	Palacios, TX
90	Marshall, Aaron	DL	6-4	260	So.	Chicago, IL
77	Maumau, Vilami	DT	6-2	290	Jr.	Honolulu, HI

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41	McCarty, Tennyson	TE	6-3	250	Jr.	Boulder, CO
82	McCormick, Mike	WR	6-0	185	Sr.	Boulder, CO
33	Merkerson, Ron	SLB	6-3	255	Jr.	Las Vegas, NV
35	Miller, Keith	FB	6-0	210	Sr.	Ovid, CO
28	Mitchell, Andy	P	6-3	190	Jr.	Littleton, CO
69	Moody, Chan	OL	6-5	270	So.	Littleton, CO
62	Morgan, Chris	OG	6-3	285	Fr.	Killeen, TX
54	Nabholz, Jeff	DE	6-5	250	Sr.	Chesterfield, MO
65	Naeole, Chris	OG	6-4	295	Sr.	Kaaawa, HI
8	Navies, Hannibal	WLB	6-3	240	So.	El Cerrito, CA
70	Nichols, Ben	OL	6-6	285	Jr.	Springfield, MO
55	Olson, Ryan	DT	6-2	255	Jr.	Lakewood, CO
99	Patterson, Stacy	NT	6-2	265	Jr.	Macon, GA
42	Petaia, Sulu	OLB	6-1	220	Jr.	Leone, Samoa
44	Peters, Clifton	MLB	6-2	235	So.	Pauls Valley, OK
91	Phillips, Mike	WLB	6-4	225	Jr.	Marrero, LA
50	Reed, Adam	C	6-2	285	So.	Boulder, CO
15	Rosga, Steve	FS	6-1	210	Sr.	Roseville, MN
16	Russell, Matt	MLB	6-2	245	Sr.	Fairview Heights, IL
47	Sanders, Clyde	DT	6-2	285	Fr.	Sacramento, CA
80	Savoy, Phil	WR	6-3	200	Jr.	Washington, D.C.
7	Simmons, Dalton	CB	6-0	180	Sr.	Marrero, LA
87	Simmons, Martin	TE	6-3	275	Fr.	Lewisville, TX
52	Smith, Kyle	OG	6-6	295	Sr.	Torrington, WY
51	Soden, Kris	C	6-4	275	Sr.	McCook, NE
46	Southward, Brandon	SLB	6-4	240	So.	Colorado Spgs., CO
36	Sutter, Ryan	FS	6-2	195	Jr.	Fort Collins, CO
27	Tadlock, Deren	CB	6-0	190	Sr.	Boulder, CO
42	Taylor, Robert	WR	6-1	195	So.	Denver, CO
78	Thomas, Melvin	OT	6-3	295	Jr.	New Orleans, LA
4	Toler, Robert	WR	6-0	180	Fr.	Long Beach, CA
5	Troutman, Herchell	TB	5-7	180	Jr.	Naples, FL
75	Wade, Aaron	OT	6-7	285	Jr.	Wheat Ridge, CO
37	Washington, Marcus	CB	6-2	210	So.	Colorado Spgs., CO
1	Weisinger, Jeremy	QB	6-1	200	Fr.	Uvalde, TX
74	Welsh, Andrew	OT	6-6	285	Jr.	Walnut Creek, CA
50	Wheeler, Steven	DE	6-5	220	So.	Denver, CO
23	Wilbon, Allen	WLB	6-0	235	Sr.	Dallas, TX
20	Wilkins, Kenny	CB	6-3	210	Sr.	Mesa, AZ
84	Winters, Kevin	WR	5-9	190	So.	Rancho Santa Fe, CA
76	Ziegler, Nick	DE	6-5	240	So.	Huntington Bch., CA

## 1996 SIGNEES

NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	HOMETOWN
Ashworth, Tom	OT	6-6	240	Englewood, CO
BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American; Denver Post All-Col-orado; Tacoma News-Tribune Western 100.				
Barnes, Rashidi	DB	6-1	185	Berkeley, CA
BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American; Tacoma News-Tribune Western 100; as a senior, he was in on 103 tackles, with four ints.				
Bledsoe, Adam	QB	6-5	210	Yakima, WA
BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American; all-region; all-conference; as a senior, completed 95-of-172 passes for 1,281 yds. and nine TDs.				
Cabral, Kyle	LB	6-2	215	Boulder, CO
BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American; all-Boulder County; as a senior, he was in on 108 tackles, including 14 QB sacks.				
Edwards, Elan	DB	6-1	175	Boulder, CO
SuperPrep All-American; all-state; as a senior, he was in on 60 tackles and two ints.				
Entzminger, Jason	OT	6-7	300	Temple Hills, MD
BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American; as a senior, he had 48 pancake blocks.				
George, Odell	OLB	6-1	215	Vista, CA
SuperPrep All-American; as a senior, he was in on 101 tackles and 11 QB sacks.				
Green, Javon	WR	6-4	205	Inglewood, CA
BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American; Tacoma News-Tribune Western 100; as a senior, he caught 56 passes for 1,131 yds. and nine TDs.				
Haas, Robert	DE	6-5	230	Boulder, CO
SuperPrep All-American; all-state; Tacoma News-Tribune Western 100.				
Herrick, David	OL	6-4	250	San Diego, CA
All-San Diego County; SuperPrep All-Region; as a senior, he had 59 pancake blocks.				
Jame, Sean	DT	6-6	270	Yorba Linda, CA
Tacoma News-Tribune Western 100; as a senior, he was in on 93 tackles (68 solo).				
Kelly, Ben	DB	5-10	175	Solon, OH
All-state; All-North Coast League; as a senior, he rushed for 1,092 yds. and 15 TDs.				
Loper, Ian	DE	6-5	235	San Diego, CA
SuperPrep All-American; Tacoma News-Tribune Western 100; as a senior, he was in on 106 tackles (88 solo).				
McCready, Eric	WR	6-4	185	Cherry Hills Vill., CO
SuperPrep All-American; Denver Post and Rocky Mountain News All-Colo.; as a senior, he caught 50 passes for 980 yds. and 12 TDs.				
McDonnell, Brady	TE	6-5	250	Quinn, SD
All-state; all-conference; South Dakota's and Gatorade's Player of the Year.				
Nunez, Ryan	RB-WR	5-9	170	Austin, TX
All-Centex, all-district; all-state; as a senior, he rushed 233 times for 2,258 yds.				
Pratt, Wes	DB	6-5	215	Kaneohe, HI
Tacoma News-Tribune Western 100; as a senior, he was in on 72 tackles (47 solo).				
Sanders, John	DB	5-11	165	Phoenix, AZ
all-region; all-league; as a senior, he rushed 239 times for 1,835 yds. and 18 TDs.				
Stiggers, Marcus	WR	5-7	170	Dallas, TX
BLUECHIP Illustrated and SuperPrep All-American; all-state; all-district; as a senior, he rushed 248 times for 1,979 yds.				
Warren, Jesse	OLB	6-6	260	Dallas, TX
SuperPrep All-American; all-state; all-district; as a senior, he was in on 61 tackles.				
Wheeler, Damon	DB	5-11	170	Sacramento, CA
Sacramento's Player of the Year; as a senior, he rushed 193 times for 2,284 yds. and 33 TDs.				
Williams Jr., Marcus	WR	6-5	210	Piedmont, CA
SuperPrep All-American; all-league; as a senior, he caught 26 passes for 640 yds. and seven TDs.				

## DEPTH CHART

### OFFENSE (10)

**WR 21 Rae Carruth (Sr., 3);** 6 Darrin Chiaverini (So., 1)  
**WR 2 James Kidd (Sr., 3);** 18 Chris Anderson (Jr., 2)  
**LT 74 Andrew Welsh (Jr., 1);** 70 Ben Nichols (Jr., 0)  
**LG 52 Kyle Smith (Sr., 2);** 63 Corey Kish (Fr., 0)  
**C 51 Kris Soden (Sr., 1);** 50 Adam Reed (So., 0)  
**RG 65 Chris Naeole (Sr., 3);** 69 Chan Moody (So., 1)  
**RT 78 Melvin Thomas (Jr., 1);** 75 Aaron Wade (Jr., 1)  
**TE 88 Matt Lepsis (Sr., 3);** 41 Tennyson McCarty (Jr., 2)  
**WR 80 Phil Savoy (Jr., 2);** 4 Robert Toler (Fr., 0)  
**QB 14 Koy Detmer (Sr., 3);** 7 John Hessler (Jr., 1)  
**TB 5 Herchell Troutman (Jr., 2);** 39 Lendon Henry (Jr., 2)  
**PK 12 Jason Lesley (Jr., 1)**

### DEFENSE (6)

**DE 59 Greg Jones (Sr., 3);** 48 Terrell Cade (So., 1)  
**NT 55 Ryan Olson (Jr., 2);** 99 Stacy Patterson (Jr., 1)  
**DT 77 Vilami Maumau (Jr., 2);** 90 Aaron Marshall (So., 1)  
**DE 76 Nick Ziegler (So., 1);** 54 Jeff Nabholz (Sr., 2)  
**WLB 8 Hannibal Navies (So., 1);** 91 Mike Phillips (Jr., 2)  
**MLB16 Matt Russell (Sr., 3);** 44 Clifton Peters (So., 1)  
**SLB 33 Ron Merkerson (Jr., 2);** 46 Brandon Southward (So., 1)  
**LCB 20 Kenny Wilkins (Sr., 3);** 4 Elton Davis (Jr., 2)  
**SS 6 Ryan Black (Jr., 2);** 45 Maurice Henriques (Sr., 2)  
**FS 15 Steve Rosga (Sr., 3);** 36 Ryan Sutter (Jr., 1)  
**RCB 7 Dalton Simmons (Sr., 3);** 37 Marcus Washington (So., 1)  
**P 28 Andy Mitchell (Jr., 2)**

## TOP RETURNING LEADERS

**Passing:** John Hessler, 154-266-2136-9, 20 TDs  
**Rushing:** Herchell Troutman, 171 car., 826 yds., 5 TDs  
**Receiving:** Rae Carruth, 53 rec., 1008 yds., 9 TDs  
**Scoring:** Rae Carruth, 9 TDs, 54 points  
**Punting:** Andy Mitchell, 38 punts, 39.8 avg.  
**Kicking:** Jason Lesley, 1-1 FGs, 2-2 XP  
**Tackles:** Matt Russell, 119, 38 solo  
**Sacks:** Greg Jones, 8  
**Interceptions:** Elton Davis, 3 for 37 yards

## 1996 SCHEDULE

Aug. 31 Washington State  
 Sept. 7 at Colorado State  
 Sept. 14 Michigan  
 Sept. 28 at Texas A&M  
 Oct. 12 Oklahoma State  
 Oct. 19 at Kansas  
 Oct. 26 Texas  
 Nov. 2 at Missouri  
 Nov. 9 Iowa State  
 Nov. 16 Kansas State  
 Nov. 29 at Nebraska

(#) indicates number of returning starters  
**BOLD** indicates returning starters  
 Number after class indicates letters won

Information provided by David Plati, Director of Media Relations.



**D**an McCarney has no illusions about the task he faces in his second season as Iowa State's head coach. His Cyclones "must improve in every single area," he said before the start of spring practice.

For example, Iowa State ranked No. 108 out of 108 NCAA Division I-A teams in rushing defense. The Cyclones ranked No. 100 in scoring defense and No. 95 in total defense. They could improve those rankings significantly and still not succeed.

To make matters worse, the only conference team Iowa State defeated last season, Oklahoma State, will be in the Southern Division of the Big 12, with the Cyclones in the Northern. The



**Tim Sanders**

Cowboys are, however, among Iowa State's three interdivisional opponents, though neither figures to challenge for a division title.

McCarney's first season included an element of the sublime as well as the ridiculous. Tailback Troy Davis rushed for more yards (2,010) than any other sophomore in NCAA Division I-A history. On the strength of his performance, almost exclusively, the Cyclones ranked ninth nationally in rushing offense.

## quarterbacks

Barring injuries or the unexpected, the first name of Iowa State's No. 1 quarterback will be Todd. The question is, will it be senior Todd Doxzon or sophomore Todd Bandhauer?

Doxzon was hampered by an ankle injury last season that sidelined him for five games. Despite starting just five contests, Doxzon completed 58-of-100 passes for 730 yards and four touchdowns, with four interceptions. His strength, however, is running the option. Doxzon came off the bench in the final game of the season against Missouri to complete 13-of-16 passes for 154 yards and two touchdowns, and rush for 47 yards and another score.

## running backs

To describe the performance of Davis as "extraordinary" would be an understatement. He was only the fifth NCAA Division I-A player to rush for 2,000 yards in a season. He was an All-American on a team that finished 3-8 overall and tied for last in the Big Eight at 1-6. And he was a Heisman Trophy finalist. He was the only 2,000-yard rusher ever who didn't win the Heisman Trophy, in fact.

"Davis is one of those special guys," Nebraska defensive coordinator Charlie McBride says. "He has great vision and can see things develop."

"He's a hard runner," former Cornhusker middle linebacker Phil Ellis says of Davis. "He ran over some of our guys. He cuts back well and finds the holes. He hits the holes very fast."

Davis rushed for 120 yards against Kansas, his second-lowest total of the season. "We knew we had to get nine people as close to the line of scrimmage as we could and take a chance on their throwing the ball," says Jayhawk defensive coordinator Mike Hankwitz. "We just wanted to contain him."

Davis will be joined by his brother Darren, a prize freshman recruit with :04.4 speed in the 40-yard dash. Troy and Darren might even line up in the same backfield.

Senior Rodney Guggenheim has been a starter at fullback for three years.

## receivers

Junior flanker Ed Williams is the only wide receiver with significant experience. He led the Cyclones in receiving last season, with 46 catches for 639 yards and seven touchdowns to earn all-conference honorable mention. Williams "has tremendous big-play ability," says McCarney.

Among the other wide receiver candidates are juniors Gerrick Bivens, Jerome Henry, Tom Radke and Jahi Arnold. Senior Tyrone Watley, a transfer from Pacific (which dropped football), also should help.

Senior Dennis DiBiase is the returning starter at tight end. When he wasn't helping clear the way for Davis, he caught 12 passes for 94 yards and two touchdowns.

## offensive linemen

Four starters in the offensive interior that helped open holes for Davis return, including tackle Tim Kohn and center Pat Augafa. Both seniors weigh in at 300-plus pounds. Kohn was an occasional starter in his first two seasons before settling in as a junior. Augafa became a starter after transferring from Ricks Junior College and was named the Big Eight's non-freshman Offensive Newcomer of the Year by the conference coaches.

Senior Doug Easley has starting experience at one guard, and junior Matt Rahfaldt was a part-time starter at the other.





Troy Davis



Junior Kurt Levetzow is the top candidate to be the other starting tackle. He has ability but little experience. Eugene Bernal, a transfer from Los Angeles Valley College, could help right away.

## defensive linemen

The Cyclones must get bigger and stronger up front to deal with Big 12-caliber running attacks, according to McCarney. Only two starters return among the down linemen: junior tackles Rudy Ruffolo and Greg Schoon. Ruffolo had 88 tackles and three sacks. Schoon racked up seven tackles for loss and forced two fumbles.

Sophomores Chin Achebe and Mike Hansen are listed 1-2 at right end, with redshirt freshmen Joe Cominsky and Jack Mitchell competing on the left. Jucos Gene David and Michael Jones could be of some immediate help.

## linebackers

Junior Michael Cooper, who started for two seasons at inside linebacker and was third on the team in tackles last season with 108, was moved to outside linebacker during the spring. Cooper's move, if permanent, would leave Iowa State with only one experienced inside linebacker: senior Tim Sanders, who has made 216 tackles the past two seasons. Among the other candidates at linebacker are junior Derrik Clark, redshirt freshmen Dave Brcka and Jason Weite, and sophomores Andre Lee and Kipwana "Kip" King.

McCarney is looking for bigger inside linebackers. "We will be lining up with linebackers who are in the 230- to 240-pound class, giving us a better chance to stop the run," he says.

## defensive backs

The secondary is the most experienced area of the defense, with three returning starters. Senior free safety Mike Lincavage was second on the team in tackles last season with 109. Senior Jason Brown, his backup, also has started. The top candidates at strong safety are junior Tracy Williams and senior Kelvin Moore.

Junior Kevin Hudson and sophomore Dawan Anderson are returning starters at cornerback. Anderson started every game, breaking up 15 passes and intercepting two. Hudson started the first six games before being sidelined for three games by injury. Their backups, sophomores Mike O'Brien and Kevin Wilson, have earned letters.

## kicking game

Sophomore Jamie Kohl was the regular place-kicker as a true freshman and made good on 10-of-17 field goal attempts. Senior punter Marc Harris enters his final collegiate season with the best career average in Cyclone history: 41.2 yards per punt.

Wilson was the No. 1 punt and kickoff returner. He ranked fourth in the Big Eight with a 19.3-yard average on 23 kickoff returns.

## rising star

Incoming freshman Darren Davis, like brother Troy, is "a sensational football player, big-time, outstanding," McCarney said after Darren signed a letter of intent during his senior year at Southridge High in Miami. "I have no reservations that he'll make a major impact here at Iowa



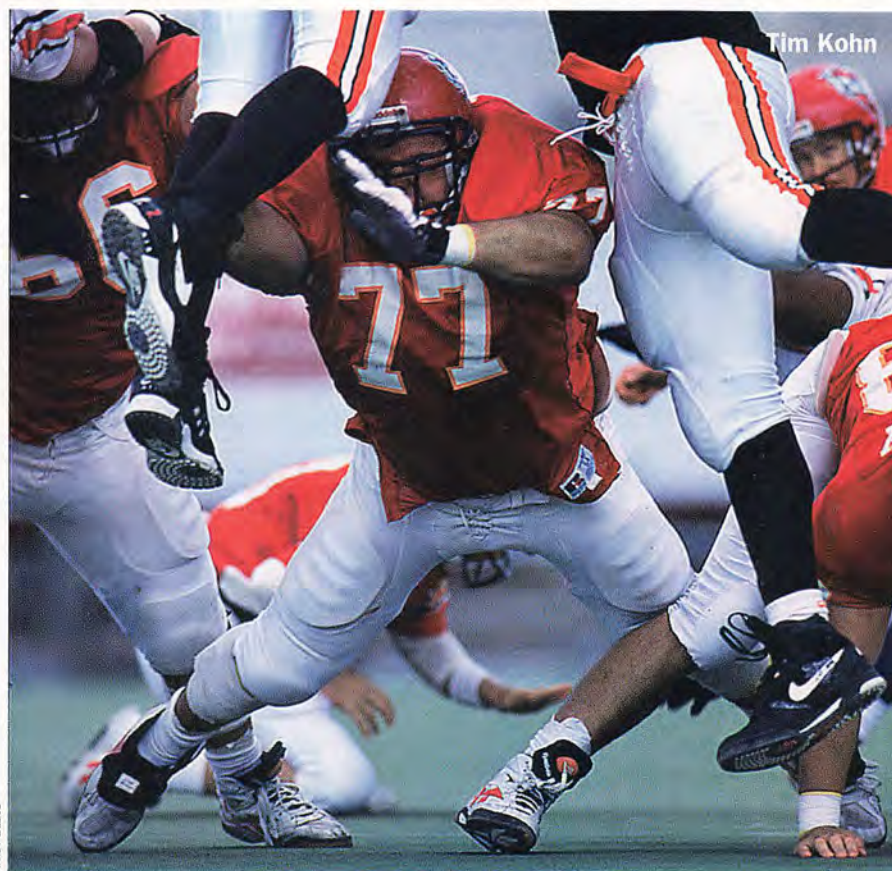
Ed Williams

DAVID PRESTON

State." McCarney expects the impact of the younger Davis to be immediate.

## final analysis

The massive overhaul necessary to put Iowa State in contention in the Big 12 Northern Division won't be accomplished in one season. The Cyclones will have natural grass at Cyclone Stadium-Jack Trice Field and a new athletic facility, evidence of the school's commitment to McCarney. In addition, Iowa State fans are uniquely supportive. Attendance was up 2,000 per game in '95. Interest in student season tickets increased. With Davis back carrying the ball, the Cyclones will be entertaining, even if they aren't successful.



Tim Kohn

RANDY BRUCE

## ALL-TIME CYCLONES 1892-1995

### Offense

WR	Jim Doran	1949-50
WR	Tracy Henderson	1982-84
TE	Mike Busch	1986-89
OL	Doug Skartvedt	1990-93
OL	Ed Bock	1936-38
OL	Ike Hayes	1933-35
OL	Dick Barker	1916-17,
OL	Karl Nelson	1979-82
QB	Alex Espinoza	1984-86
RB	Dave Hoppmann	1960-62
RB	Troy Davis	1994-95
K	Jeff Shudak	1987-90

### Defense

DL	Merv Krakau	1970-72
DL	Mike Stensrud	1974, 76-78
DL	Ron McFarland	1973-75, 77
DL	Rick White	1976-78
LB	Chris Washington	1980-83
LB	Matt Blair	1971, 73
LB	Keith Schroeder	1969-71
DB	Marcus Robertson	1987-90
DB	Mike Schwartz	1976-79
DB	Barry Hill	1972-74
DB	Mark DouBrava	1989-92
P	Marc Harris	1993-95



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**1-6-0**

**Head Coach:**  
**Dan McCarney**

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26	Achebe, Chin	DE	6-1	246	So.	Staubenville, OH
14	Anderson, Dawan	CB	5-8	164	So.	Hazelcrest, IL
64	Arkan, Erol	OL	6-6	307	Fr.	McMurray, PA
5	Arnold, Jahi	WR	5-7	185	Jr.	Downey, CA
65	Augafa, Patrick	C	6-2	335	Sr.	Anchorage, AK
29	Bales, Jason	FB	5-11	229	Jr.	Hinton, IA
17	Bandhauer, Todd	QB	6-3	234	So.	Lecanto, FL
72	Billings, Chad	OL	6-0	255	Jr.	Clear Lake, IA
83	Bivens, Gerrick	WR	5-11	171	Jr.	Scott AFB, IL
79	Bogwill, Charlie	OL	6-2	286	So.	Morris, IL
8	Boyd, Greg	OLB	6-1	213	Jr.	Lincoln Park, MI
1	Brantley, Mike	WR	6-2	180	Fr.	Long Island, NY
48	Brcka, Dave	ILB	6-2	233	Fr.	West Des Moines, IA
10	Brown, Damien	TB	5-11	182	Fr.	Aurora, CO
23	Brown, Jason	DB	5-10	188	Sr.	Chicago, IL
57	Brunsvold, Chris	OL	6-3	309	So.	Forest City, IA
59	Casavant, Chad	DL	6-4	239	Fr.	Freeport, IL
11	Clark, Derrik	ILB	6-4	237	Jr.	Livermore, IA
62	Cominsky, Joe	DE	6-5	247	Fr.	Rayland, OH
38	Cooper, Michael	OLB	6-1	202	Jr.	Omaha, NE
73	Cortez, Marc	OL	6-2	269	Fr.	Tinley Park, IL
61	Daufeldt, Brent	ILB	6-0	227	Jr.	West Liberty, IA
28	Davis, Troy	TB	5-8	190	Jr.	Miami, FL
46	Della Vella, Chuck	OLB	6-2	216	Fr.	Cleveland, OH
87	DiBiase, Dennis	TE	6-2	245	Sr.	Joliet, IL
7	Doxzon, Todd	QB	6-1	191	Sr.	Omaha, NE
15	Duncan, Robby	DB	6-1	185	Jr.	Kenner, LA
66	Easley, Doug	OL	6-2	282	Sr.	Earlham, IA
36	Elmore, James	OLB	6-2	220	Fr.	Smithtown, NY
33	Foss, Joe	ILB	5-11	237	Fr.	Ogden, IA
89	Gibson, Damian	TE	6-4	247	So.	Marathon, FL
22	Guggenheim, Rodney	FB	5-10	228	Sr.	Kenner, LA
96	Guill, Bryan	DE	6-3	249	Jr.	Council Bluffs, IA
86	Hansen, Mike	DE	6-2	246	So.	Omaha, NE
47	Harken, Rob	TE	6-4	223	Fr.	Waverly, IA
16	Harris, Marc	P	5-11	202	Sr.	Omaha, NE
82	Henry, Jerome	WR	6-0	183	Jr.	Los Angeles, CA
13	Hudson, Kevin	CB	6-0	175	Jr.	Miami, FL
43	Jackson, Hez	FB	6-0	231	Fr.	Tampa, FL
69	Jorgenson, Nathan	OL	6-32	278	So.	Johnston, IA
14	Kimble, Zach	P	6-2	174	Fr.	Urbandale, IA
50	King, Kipwana	ILB	6-0	229	So.	Fort Worth, TX
47	Kluver, Cory	ILB	6-0	212	So.	Ankeny, IA

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19	Knighten, Kemp	DB	6-0	189	So.	Hialeah, FL
45	Kohl, Jamie	PK	6-0	187	So.	Waukesha, WI
77	Kohn, Tim	OL	6-5	307	Sr.	Wadsworth, IL
54	Lee, Andre	ILB	6-0	230	So.	Chicago, IL
71	Levetzow, Kurt	OL	6-5	260	Jr.	Sabula, IA
20	Lincavage, Mike	FS	6-1	202	Sr.	Chatsworth, CA
72	Marsau, Bill	DL	6-5	264	Fr.	Hudson, IA
74	Mitchell, Jack	DE	6-4	248	Fr.	Torrance, CA
2	Moore, Kelvin	SS	6-1	207	Sr.	Los Angeles, CA
91	Napastuk, Sheldon	DL	6-5	272	Sr.	North Battleford, SK
6	Norris, Graston	TB	5-8	182	Sr.	Houston, TX
37	O'Brien, Michael	CB	5-11	190	So.	Metairie, LA
56	Parks, James	ILB	5-8	218	Jr.	West Des Moines, IA
42	Parmentier, Joe	FB	5-11	250	So.	Lindenhurst, NY
96	Pelecky, Kyle	TE	6-3	220	So.	Bettendorf, IA
11	Perfect, Duke	PK	5-10	200	Jr.	Council Bluffs, IA
85	Radke, Tom	WR	5-11	182	Jr.	Aurelia, IA
75	Rahfaldt, Matt	OL	6-3	274	Jr.	Ames, IA
32	Rhamy, Preston	DB	5-8	178	Jr.	Avoca, IA
51	Ross, Oliver	OL	6-5	268	Sr.	Los Angeles, CA
97	Ruffolo, Rudy	DL	6-3	268	Jr.	Kenosha, WI
49	Rutledge, Brandon	OLB	5-11	210	Fr.	Tama, IA
93	Rysavy, Matt	TE	6-1	237	Jr.	Omaha, NE
56	Sakalas, Mike	OL	6-3	295	Sr.	Warren, MI
40	Sanders, Tim	ILB	6-0	222	Sr.	Chicago, IL
18	Schneider, Robert	SS	5-11	178	So.	Solon, IA
90	Schoon, Greg	DL	6-3	280	Jr.	Sioux Rapids, IA
68	Shufford, Eddie	OL	6-0	271	Jr.	Gary, IN
58	Schultz, Aaron	OL	6-5	247	Fr.	Dunnell, MN
67	Skartvedt, Paul	OL	6-2	277	Sr.	Radcliffe, IA
3	St. Clair, Jeff	SS	6-0	201	Sr.	Bettendorf, IA
53	Stevenson, Corey	DL	5-11	275	Fr.	Waterloo, IA
92	Thomas, Terry	DL	6-2	275	Fr.	Flint, MI
60	Tuetkan, T.J.	OL	6-4	233	Fr.	Monticello, IA
76	Tuso, Jim	OL	6-3	268	So.	Kansas City, MO
58	VerMeer, Michael	ILB	6-1	232	So.	Overland Park, KS
21	Watley, Tyrone	WR	5-9	179	Sr.	Tulare, CA
59	Weite, Jason	ILB	6-3	238	Fr.	Ottumwa, IA
81	Williams, Ed	FL	6-3	197	Jr.	Opa-Locka, FL
31	Williams, Tracy	SS	6-0	218	Jr.	Spring, TX
25	Wilson, Kevin	CB	5-10	182	So.	North Canton, OH
13	Yates, Josh	WR	5-9	165	So.	Lake Forest, IL

## 1996 SIGNEES

NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	HOMETOWN
Avey, Dustin	DB	6-3	190	Ames, IA
Beaudet, Ben	OL	6-4	270	Stillwater, MN
Bernal, Eugene	OL	6-5	305	Sylmar, CA
Bruns, Benjamin	OL	6-4	255	Denver, IA
Campbell, Neville	LB	6-1	245	Miami, FL
Chown, Nate	DB	6-0	188	Boone, IA
Clark, Derrik	LB	6-4	237	Livermore, IA
David, Gene	DL	6-4	250	Detroit, MI
Davis, Darren	RB	5-8	185	Miami, FL
Densmore, Doug	DB	5-10	180	Sterling, IL
Forbes, Winston	DB	5-10	195	Miami, FL
Grant, Jason	WR	6-1	180	Los Angeles, CA
Green, Damon	WR	5-10	180	San Bernardino, CA
Harklau, Ryan	LB	6-4	228	Humboldt, IA
Heavens, Jerome	RB	5-10	205	Ingewood, CA
Johnson, Jeremy	TE-DS	6-4	245	Cedar Rapids, IA
Jones, Michael	DL	6-2	295	Opa-Locka, FL
Mauga, Aaron	OL	6-3	310	Oceanside, CA
Mays, Antonio	DL	6-2	280	Waterloo, IA
O'Neal, James	DB	6-1	196	Long Island, NY
Rank, Josh	TE	6-5	235	Cedar Rapids, IA
Reed, James	LB	6-1	245	Saginaw, MI
Rosenfels, Sage	QB	6-5	190	Maquoketa, IA
Ryerson, Mitch	QB	6-3	180	Fountain Valley, CA
Tharpe, Nigel	DL	6-5	265	Detroit, MI
Watley, Tyrone	WR	5-10	180	Tulare, CA

## DEPTH CHART

### OFFENSE (8)

**WR** 83 Gerrick Bivens (Jr., 0); 80 Jerome Henry (Jr., 0)  
**LT** 77 Tim Kohn (Sr., 3); 51 Oliver Ross (Sr., 0)  
**LG** 75 Matt Rahfaldt (Jr., 2); 79 Charlie Bogwill (So., 0)  
**C** 65 Patrick Augafa (Sr., 1); 67 Paul Skartvedt (Sr., 2)  
**RG** 66 Doug Easley (Sr., 1); 68 Eddie Shufford (Jr., 0)  
**RT** 71 Kurt Levetzow (Jr., 0); 52 Chris Brunsvold (So., 0)  
**TE** 87 Dennis DiBiase (Sr., 2); 89 Damian Gibson (So., 1)  
**FL** 81 Ed Williams (Jr., 2); 85 Tom Radke (Jr., 1)  
**QB** 7 Todd Doxzon (Sr., 3); 17 Todd Bandhauer (So., 1)  
**TB** 28 Troy Davis (Jr., 2); 6 Graston Norris (Sr., 3)  
**FB** 22 Rodney Guggenheim (Sr., 3); 42 Joe Parmentier (So., 1)  
**PK** 45 Jamie Kohl (So., 0)

### DEFENSE (7)

**OLB** 49 Brandon Rutledge (Fr., 0); 36 James Elmore (Fr., 0)  
**LE** 62 Joe Cominsky (Fr., 0); 74 Jack Mitchell (Fr., 0)  
**LT** 97 Rudy Ruffolo (Jr., 1); 72 Bill Marsau (Fr., 0)  
**RT** 90 Greg Schoon (Jr., 1); 55 Terry Thomas (Fr., 0);  
**RE** 26 Chin Achebe (So., 1); 86 Mike Hansen (So., 1)  
**LCB** 14 Dawan Anderson (So., 1); 25 Kevin Wilson (So., 1)  
**ILB** 48 Dave Brcka (Fr., 0); 54 Andre Lee (So., 0)  
**ILB** 11 Derrik Clark (Jr., 0); 40 Tim Sanders (Sr., 3)  
**RCB** 13 Kevin Hudson (Jr., 1); 37 Michael O'Brien (So., 1)  
**SS** 31 Tracy Williams (Jr., 1); 2 Kelvin Moore (Sr., 1)  
**FS** 20 Mike Lincavage (Sr., 3); 23 Jason Brown (Sr., 2)  
**P** 16 Marc Harris (Sr., 2)

## TOP RETURNING LEADERS

**Passing:** Todd Doxzon, 58-100-730-4, 4 TDs  
**Rushing:** Troy Davis, 345 car., 2010 yds., 15 TDs  
**Receiving:** Ed Williams, 46 rec., 639 yds., 7 TDs  
**Scoring:** Troy Davis, 16 TDs, 96 points  
**Punting:** Marc Harris, 52 punts, 41.4 avg.  
**Kicking:** Jamie Kohl, 10-17 FGs, 26-30 XP  
**Tackles:** Mike Lincavage, 109, 62 solo  
**Sacks:** Rudy Ruffolo, 3  
**Interceptions:** Mike Lincavage, Dawan Anderson, 2

## 1996 SCHEDULE

Sept. 7 Wyoming  
 Sept. 14 at Iowa  
 Sept. 21 Northern Iowa  
 Sept. 28 Missouri  
 Oct. 12 Texas A&M  
 Oct. 19 at Oklahoma State  
 Oct. 26 at Baylor  
 Nov. 2 Kansas  
 Nov. 9 at Colorado  
 Nov. 16 Nebraska  
 Nov. 23 at Kansas State

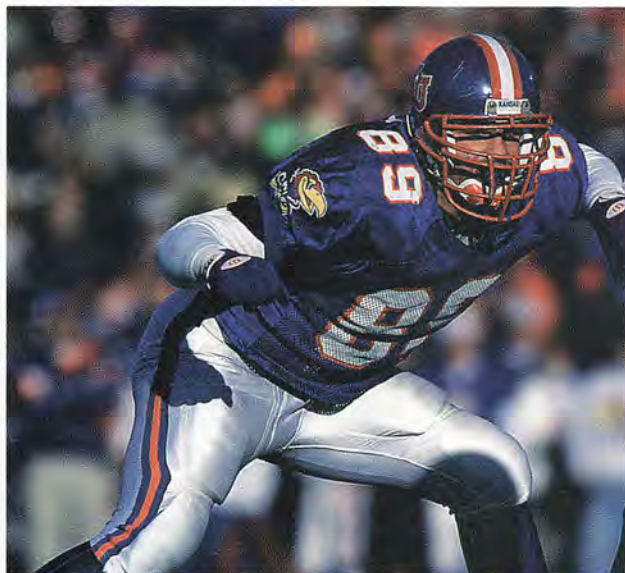
(#) indicates number of returning starters  
**BOLD** indicates returning starters  
 Number after class indicates letters won

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**W**hen Glen Mason left Ohio State to become the head coach at Kent State, Woody Hayes gave him some advice: Work hard, win and get out, as fast as you can. But, Hayes added, Mason should make every decision as if he were going to remain for the long-term.

"I've taken that advice," Mason said last season, as he directed his eighth Kansas team to a 10-2 record, a second-place tie in the Big Eight and a 51-30 victory against UCLA in the Aloha Bowl. "I've made every decision here like I'm staying 25 years."



**Jim Moore**

Mason almost applied the first part of Hayes' advice to his job at Kansas, announcing in December that he would be leaving to become coach at Georgia. Then a week later, before the Aloha Bowl game on Christmas Day, Mason announced that he had changed his mind and would remain at Kansas.

"It's waffling and that's not my style," Mason said. "I profoundly apologize (to Georgia)."

Kansas athletic director Bob Frederick readily accepted him back.

## quarterbacks

Mason did change his offense last season, incorporating more passing in what had been a ground-bound attack. The Jayhawks ranked No. 91 in the nation in passing in 1994 before improving to No. 68 in 1995.

The responsibility of keeping them at that level falls to senior Ben Rutz, who played in only six games as a backup last season after transferring from Northeastern Oklahoma A&M. Rutz threw only 19 passes, completing eight for 92 yards, with one interception.

Rutz has two springs and one season of experience in Mason's system. There is some uncertainty, though, because Rutz underwent surgery to repair a partial ligament tear suffered during spring practice. Mason was optimistic that Rutz

would be ready to play. In the event he hasn't recovered, junior Matt Johnner and redshirt freshman Zac Wegner are available.

## running backs

Even though Kansas passed more often and better last season, running the ball is the basis of Mason's offensive philosophy. Last season, the Jayhawks ranked 23rd in the nation.

Senior June Henley led the team in all-purpose yards with 1,270 and was second-team All-Big Eight. He rushed for 766 yards and eight touchdowns on 158 carries, and caught 26 passes for 312 yards. He goes into his final season at No. 5 on the Jayhawks' career rushing list and No. 2 in career touchdowns with 25, three short of the school record.

Juniors Eric Galbreath and Eric Vann are the best of the rest. Galbreath, a little-used backup last season, ran hurdles for Kansas' track team to improve his conditioning. Vann carried 48 times for 235 yards and two touchdowns.

The young running backs include sophomore Julius Bruce, whose cousin Arland, a running back, is among the incoming freshmen.

## receivers

Mason's increased emphasis on passing translated into 18 receptions for 224 yards and three touchdowns for senior Jim Moore, who started every game at tight end and earned all-conference honorable mention.

Senior Isaac Byrd, center fielder on the baseball team, was the leading receiver, catching 48 passes for 604 yards and five touchdowns. Byrd also received all-conference honorable mention.

Senior Andre Carter went into the spring at No. 1 on the depth chart. He has good speed but has been hampered by injuries. Some of the younger receivers will have to step up.

## offensive linemen

Five interior linemen have starting experience, though junior tackle Derrick Chandler started only once, and senior Jim Stiebel's six starts a year ago were at center instead of guard, where he was moved in the spring.

Senior tackle Scott Whittaker has started 15 of the last 16 games. He earned all-conference honorable mention last season and provides solid experience. Chandler played well enough in the spring that sophomore Justin Glasgow was moved from tackle to guard. He and sophomore Shawn Vang provide depth there.

Sophomore guard Cleve Roberts started 10 games as a true freshman. Stiebel, a transfer from Nebraska, started the first six games at center last season before being sidelined by a knee sprain. Senior Jared Smith replaced him as the starter for the remainder of the season.

## defensive linemen

Mason restructured his defense last season, replacing a 5-2 base alignment with a 3-4. The





June Henley



results were significant: The Jayhawks were third in the Big Eight in scoring defense, and they were opportunistic, ranking 19th in the nation in turnover margin.

Everyone returns up front. Senior Kevin Kopp and juniors Brett McGraw and Dewey Houston were the starters last season. McGraw led the down linemen in tackles with 31, one of which was a sack. He also recovered a fumble. Kopp had 30 tackles, including a sack. Houston started nine games, with his best performance of the season coming against national champion Nebraska.

Sophomore Dan Dercher alternated with Houston and started twice. Junior Pat Bishop, the backup at nose tackle, played in every game.

## linebackers

Senior Ronnie Ward and junior Jason Thoren are solid inside linebackers. Ward was the team's leading tackler in 1994 but missed last season with a shoulder injury. Thoren led the team in tackles a year ago with 119, including six for losses. He intercepted three passes and recovered two fumbles to earn second-team all-conference recognition. Sophomore Steve Bratten started five games on the inside last season and finished with 39 tackles.

Senior Chris Jones is a returning starter on the outside. He made 57 tackles, including eight for losses. He also intercepted a pass, which he returned 32 yards for a touchdown in a 42-23 victory against Missouri. Sophomore Patrick Brown had one start, against Colorado.

Sophomore Freddie Hammonds was moved from strong safety to strengthen the Jayhawks at outside linebacker. Hammonds played in every

game (starting six) as a true freshman last season.

## defensive backs

Junior strong safety Maurice Gaddie led the secondary in tackles with 93. Senior Tony Blevins returns after missing a year while rehabilitating a knee injury. He had started 19 consecutive games at strong safety before suffering the injury. If Blevins, who has moved to free safety, remains healthy, Kansas will be solid.

Sophomore Jamie Harris and junior Jason Harris (no relation) have starting experience at cornerback. Jamie Harris started eight games after junior Avery Randle was sidelined by a knee injury and made 44 tackles, broke up nine passes, intercepted a pass and recovered two fumbles.

Junior Charles Davis also started early in the season before being sidelined by injury. Randle and Davis both missed spring practice.

## kicking game

Junior Jeff McCord returns as the placekicker. He was 9-of-12 on field goals last season. Dean Royal, a transfer from Tyler (Texas) Junior College, is expected to handle the punting. If he doesn't, sophomore Pat Johnson will.

Byrd returned punts last season, and Henley averaged 17.5 yards on 11 kickoff returns.

## rising star

Sophomore defensive tackle Dan Dercher, a second-generation Jayhawk (his father, Larry, earned three letters), played in 10 games last season, starting against Kansas State and Missouri. Dercher proved to be especially effective as a pass



Maurice Gaddie

DAVID PRESTON

rusher. He was credited with 16 tackles, including 4.5 sacks for losses totaling 38 yards.

## final analysis

The Jayhawks were picked to finish fifth in the conference last season by area media. They were young — 68 of the 99 players on the Aloha Bowl roster were freshmen or sophomores.

"When you look back to last year, we had so many question marks, so many holes to fill, so many young players, I can see where you'd say we didn't have much of a chance," Mason says.

Kansas won't have that element of surprise this season. But it will have Mason, who was chosen as the Big Eight Coach of the Year. And coaching stability can be an important element of success.



Chris Jones

DAVID PRESTON

## ALL-TIME JAYHAWKS 1890-1995

### Offense

WR	Willie Vaughn	1985-88
WR	Dwayne Chandler	1990-93
TE	Otto Schnellbacher	1942, 46-47
OL	John Jones	1991-93
OL	Oliver Spencer	1950-52
OL	Dick Sklar	1933-35
OL	Don Fambrough	1946-47
OL	Keith Loneker	1989-92
QB	John Hadl	1959-61
RB	Gale Sayers	1962-64
RB	Tony Sands	1988-91
K	Dan Eichloff	1990-93

### Defense

DL	John Zook	1966-68
DL	George Mrkonic	1950-52
DL	Eldridge Avery	1983, 85-87
DL	Pete Mehlinger	1931-33
LB	Willie Pless	1982-85
LB	Emery Hicks	1967-69
LB	Kyle McNorton	1978-81
DB	Ray Evans	1941-42, 46-47
DB	LeRoy Irvin	1976-79
DB	Nolan Cromwell	1973-76
DB	Elvis Patterson	1981-83
P	Bucky Scribner	1980-82



# KANSAS ROSTER

**1994 Record:**  
**Big Eight Record:**

**10-2-0**  
**5-2-0**

**Head Coach**  
**Glen Mason**

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	CL.	HOMETOWN
43	Allen, Michael	DB	5-10	190	So.	St. Louis, MO
12	Arnold, Carl	RB	5-5	160	Fr.	Omaha, NE
94	Bishop, Pat	NT	6-4	290	Jr.	Anderson, CA
28	Blevins, Tony	DB	6-0	170	Sr.	Kansas City, MO
7	Bowles, Mitch	DB	5-8	170	Fr.	Las Vegas, NV
60	Bratten, Steve	LB	6-1	220	So.	Arvada, CO
47	Brown, Patrick	OLB	5-10	200	So.	Westerville, OH
35	Bruce, Julius	RB	5-9	190	So.	Olathe, KS
67	Bukaty, John	DT	6-4	240	Sr.	Kansas City, MO
1	Byrd, Isaac	WR	6-2	180	Sr.	St. Louis, MO
80	Carter, Andre	WR	5-10	165	Sr.	Tampa, FL
71	Chandler, Derrick	OT	6-7	310	Jr.	Lynwood, CA
40	Chandler, Michael	WR	5-11	180	Fr.	Kansas City, KS
82	Coellner, Chad	WR	6-0	175	Fr.	Salina, KS
11	Davis, Charles	DB	6-0	200	Jr.	Tampa, FL
33	Davis, Paul	RB	5-11	185	Fr.	Cahokia, IL
90	Dercher, Dan	DT	6-6	255	So.	Mission, KS
68	Enneking, Chris	OT	6-3	260	Fr.	Lawrence, KS
52	Fontenot, Tyrus	LB	5-8	215	Fr.	Houston, TX
13	Friday, Hosea	TE	6-2	240	Sr.	Detroit, MI
24	Gaddie, Maurice	DB	5-9	185	Jr.	Detroit, MI
30	Galbreath, Eric	FB	5-11	190	Jr.	Jefferson City, MO
76	Glasgow, Justin	OT	6-6	295	So.	Topeka, KS
4	Gordon, John	WR	5-11	170	Fr.	West Palm Beach, FL
84	Gray, Brian	TE	6-3	210	So.	Liberty, MO
93	Greene, Adrian	DT	6-3	290	So.	Rockledge, FL
2	Hammonds, Freddie	OLB	6-2	210	So.	Paterson, NJ
95	Hanak, Jeremy	OLB	6-6	225	Fr.	Louisville, KY
37	Harris, Jamie	DB	5-10	175	So.	Olathe, KS
23	Harris, Jason	DB	5-10	170	Jr.	Fort Worth, TX
35	Hawthorne, Gerald	DB	5-10	175	Fr.	Hillside, IL
20	Henley, June	RB	5-11	205	Sr.	Columbus, OH
21	Hill, Hamilton	QB	6-2	200	So.	Wichita, KS
83	Houston, Dewey III	DT	6-4	255	Jr.	Cahokia, IL
73	Hunt, Dameon	OG	6-2	280	Fr.	Gahanna, OH
18	Johner, Matt	QB	6-1	195	Jr.	Costa Mesa, CA
63	Johnson, Dion	DT	6-4	275	Fr.	Detroit, MI
58	Johnson, J.J.	OLB	6-2	230	So.	Los Angeles, CA
88	Johnson, Pat	P	5-9	160	So.	Lexington, OH
49	Jones, Chris	OLB	6-2	235	Sr.	Newton, KS
29	Jones, Manolito	DB	5-9	165	Jr.	Hannibal, MI

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	CL.	HOMETOWN
57	Kopp, Kevin	DT	6-4	260	Sr.	Kansas City, MO
50	Lies, Michael	OG	6-3	260	So.	Wichita, KS
3	Lyons, Augie	WR	6-1	180	Fr.	Morrison, CO
44	Macklin, Jonathan	RB	5-10	212	So.	Kansas City, MO
51	Marinello, Adam	LB	6-3	215	Fr.	Westerville, OH
36	McCord, Jeff	PK	5-9	220	Jr.	Mesquite, TX
85	McDermott, Sean	TE	6-3	225	So.	Ft. Worth, TX
70	McGraw, Brett	NT	6-1	280	Jr.	Garden City, KS
89	Moore, Jim	TE	6-3	260	Sr.	Garden City, KS
9	Moorer, Reggie	WR	6-0	175	Fr.	South Bay, FL
38	Norris, Charles	RB	5-10	225	Fr.	Unionville, MO
37	Odum, Wade	WR	5-11	185	Jr.	Scott City, KS
99	Parks, Jerome	C	6-2	250	So.	Detroit, MI
2	Parrott, Brandon	WR	5-11	180	Fr.	San Antonio, TX
26	Randle, Avery	DB	6-0	170	Jr.	Dallas, TX
5	Rawls, Thad	DB	5-11	190	Fr.	Pompano, FL
69	Redhage, Jeff	OLB	6-5	235	Fr.	Lincoln, NE
31	Richesson, Luke	DB	5-9	195	Sr.	Kansas City, MO
16	Ridlon, John	WR	5-8	155	So.	Lake Arrowhead, CA
77	Roberts, Cleve	OG	6-6	290	So.	Buhler, KS
81	Rooney, Shane	TE	6-3	225	So.	Sioux City, IA
92	Rowe, Mike	TE	6-1	195	Fr.	Platte City, NE
41	Royal, Dean	P	6-2	170	Jr.	McKinney, TX
8	Rutz, Ben	QB	6-0	190	Sr.	Oklahoma City, OK
34	Sanders, Mark	RB	6-0	215	Sr.	St. Petersburg, FL
64	Sawinko, Ted	OG	5-10	250	Fr.	Clayton, OH
98	Sharpe, Lamar	OLB	6-4	240	So.	Akron, OH
96	Sills, Luke	TE	6-2	235	Jr.	Sublette, KS
65	Smith, Jared	C-OG	6-1	270	Sr.	Pittsburg, KS
55	Stiebel, Jim	C-OG	6-2	275	Sr.	Belleville, IL
38	Thoren, Jason	LB	6-2	230	Jr.	Lawrence, KS
86	Vandree, Matt	WR	6-0	185	Jr.	Stilwell, KS
72	Vang, Shawn	OG	6-2	275	So.	Wichita, KS
25	Vann, Eric	RB	5-9	190	Jr.	El Dorado, KS
46	Ward, Ronnie	LB	6-0	225	Sr.	St. Louis, MO
39	Weaver, Marquies	RB	5-9	170	Fr.	Annandale, VA
14	Wegner, Zac	QB	6-2	220	Fr.	Platte City, MO
79	Whittaker, Scott	OT	6-6	285	Sr.	Alta Loma, CA
66	Willis, Tim	LB	6-0	225	Jr.	Aliquippa, PA
75	Wise, Rob	OT	6-4	300	Jr.	St. Louis, MO

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NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	HOMETOWN
<b>Brown, Stan</b>	<b>DL</b>	<b>6-2</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>Flint, MI</b>
All-state; all-district; All-Saginaw Valley Conference; averaged 10 tackles a game the past two seasons.				
<b>Bruce, Arland</b>	<b>RB</b>	<b>5-10</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>Olathe, KS</b>
All-state; All-Sunflower League; rushed for 1,690 yds. and 29 TDs as a senior.				
<b>Bullock, Victor</b>	<b>DE</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>Ft. Lauderdale, FL</b>
Atlanta Constitution-Journal Top 15 defensive ends in the south; all-county; recorded 91 tackles and nine sacks as a senior.				
<b>Cook, Bilal</b>	<b>DB</b>	<b>5-10</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>Duquesne, PA</b>
All-state; all-league; all-district; Pittsburgh Post-Gazette's Fabulous 22; over two seasons he passed for 1,658 yds. and rushed for 1,039 yds.				
<b>Davis, Greg</b>	<b>FB-LB</b>	<b>6-0</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>Denver, CO</b>
All-league; all-state; recorded a single-game high 22 tackles as a senior.				
<b>Floyd, Terrence</b>	<b>DL</b>	<b>6-4</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>Akron, OH</b>
All-state; all-city; All-Summit County; credited with 77 unassisted tackles and 148 total stops his senior year.				
<b>Glover, David</b>	<b>OL</b>	<b>6-7</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>Detroit, MI</b>
All-state; all-metro; all-city.				
<b>Goree, Michael</b>	<b>LB</b>	<b>6-2</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>Detroit, MI</b>
All-city; all-metro; all-district; credited with 78 solo tackles and 43 assisted stops as a senior.				
<b>Gulley, Jason</b>	<b>TE</b>	<b>6-5</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>Denton, TX</b>
All-district; all-area; Dallas Morning News Top 100 Area; caught 10 passes for 150 yds. as a senior.				
<b>Harris, Kevin</b>	<b>DT</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>Titusville, FL</b>
All-district; all-conference.				
<b>Knight, Ishmeal</b>	<b>OL</b>	<b>6-4</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>Tampa, FL</b>
All-conference; All-Suncoast Team.				
<b>Lomax, Dariss</b>	<b>LB</b>	<b>6-2</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>Kansas City, KS</b>
All-state; all-league; Kansas City Star All-Metro; credited with 122 tackles his senior season.				
<b>Mitoulas, Peter</b>	<b>OLB</b>	<b>6-1</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>Toronto, ON</b>
Metro Toronto All-Star; All-Ontario; All-Canadian				
<b>Norris, Torrance</b>	<b>TE</b>	<b>6-2</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>Houston, TX</b>
All-district; all-city; All-Greater Houston; caught 25 passes for 410 yds. his senior year.				
<b>Owen, Marc</b>	<b>OL</b>	<b>6-4</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>St. Louis, MO</b>
All-league; all-metro; all-state.				
<b>Patterson, Eric</b>	<b>WR</b>	<b>6-1</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>Long Beach, CA</b>
Credited with 23 pass receptions and three TDs last fall.				
<b>Poole, Curtese</b>	<b>QB</b>	<b>6-4</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>Columbus, OH</b>
All-metro; all-district; all-state; passed for 1,389 yds. and 20 TDs as a senior.				
<b>Potter, Derek</b>	<b>LB</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>Franklin, KY</b>
All-state; Lexington Herald Elite 20; recorded 105 total tackles last fall.				
<b>Roe, Quincy</b>	<b>DB</b>	<b>5-10</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>St. Louis, MO</b>
All-league; all-district; all-metro; all-state.				
<b>Schmidt, Bob</b>	<b>OL</b>	<b>6-1</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>Olathe, KS</b>
All-state; all-metro, All-Sunflower League; All-Sun County; Sun County Defensive Player of the Year.				
<b>Sykes, Jason</b>	<b>DB</b>	<b>5-11</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>Kansas City, KS</b>
All-conference; all-league; all-state.				
<b>Warner, Ron</b>	<b>OLB</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>Independence, KS</b>
Played two seasons at Independence CC.				
<b>Williams, John</b>	<b>DL</b>	<b>6-4</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>Oklahoma City, OK</b>
All-district; all-conference; Daily Oklahoman All-State; recorded 100 total tackles as a senior.				
<b>Wiltmer, Daniel</b>	<b>RB</b>	<b>5-7</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>Houston, TX</b>
All-league; all-district; All-Greater Houston; rushed for 1,450 yds. and 10 TDs as a senior.				

## DEPTH CHART

### OFFENSE (8)

**WR** 1 Isaac Byrd (Sr., 1); 9 Reggie Moorer (Fr., 0)  
**LT** 71 Derrick Chandler (Jr., 2); 68 Chris Enneking (Fr., 0)  
**LG** 55 Jim Stiebel (Sr., 2); 76 Justin Glasgow (So., 0)  
**C** 65 Jared Smith (Sr., 3); 55 Jim Stiebel (Sr., 2)  
**RG** 77 Cleve Roberts (So., 1); 72 Shawn Vang (So., 1)  
**RT** 79 Scott Whittaker (Sr., 3); 75 Rob Wise (Jr., 0)  
**TE** 89 Jim Moore (Sr., 3); 81 Shane Rooney (So., 1)  
**QB** 8 Ben Rutz (Sr., 1); 18 Matt Johner (Jr., 1)  
**RB** 30 Eric Galbreath (Jr., 2); 44 Jonathan Macklin (So., 0)  
**RB** 20 June Henley (Sr., 3); 35 Julius Bruce (So., 0)  
**WR** 80 Andre Carter (Sr., 3); 82 Chad Coellner (Fr., 0)  
**PK** 36 Jeff McCord (Jr., 2)

### DEFENSE (7)

**OLB** 47 Patrick Brown (So., 1); 2 Freddie Hammonds (So., 1)  
**DT** 83 Dewey Houston III (Jr., 2); 90 Dan Dercher (So., 1)  
**NT** 70 Brett McGraw (Jr., 2); 94 Pat Bishop (Jr., 1)  
**DT** 57 Kevin Kopp (Sr., 3); 58 J.J. Johnson (So., 1)  
**OLB** 49 Chris Jones (Sr., 3); 58 J.J. Johnson (So., 1)  
**ILB** 46 Ronnie Ward (Sr., 3); 60 Steve Bratten (So., 1)  
**ILB** 38 Jason Thoren (Jr., 2); 52 Tyrus Fontenot (Fr., 0)  
**LC** 23 Jason Harris (Jr., 2); 7 Mitch Bowles (Fr., 0)  
**SS** 24 Maurice Gaddie (Jr., 2); 5 Thad Rawls (Fr., 0)  
**FS** 28 Tony Blevins (Sr., 2); 43 Michael Allen (So., 1)  
**RC** 37 Jamie Harris (So., 1); 29 Manolito Jones (Jr., 1)  
**P** 41 Dean Royal (Jr., 0)

## TOP RETURNING LEADERS

**Passing:** Ben Rutz, 8-19-92-1, 0 TDs  
**Rushing:** June Henley, 158 car., 766 yds., 8 TDs  
**Receiving:** Isaac Byrd, 48 rec., 604 yds., 5 TDs  
**Scoring:** Jeff McCord, 9 FGs, 33 XP, 60 points  
**Punting:** None  
**Kicking:** Jeff McCord, 9-12 FGs, 33-36 XP  
**Tackles:** Jason Thoren, 119, 78 solo  
**Sacks:** Dan Dercher, 4.5  
**Interceptions:** Jason Thoren, 3 for 40 yards

## 1996 SCHEDULE

Aug. 29 Ball State  
 Sept. 14 at TCU  
 Sept. 28 at Utah  
 Oct. 5 at Oklahoma  
 Oct. 12 Texas Tech  
 Oct. 19 Colorado  
 Oct. 26 at Nebraska  
 Nov. 2 at Iowa State  
 Nov. 9 Kansas State  
 Nov. 16 Texas  
 Nov. 23 at Missouri

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Information provided by Dean Buchan, Sports Information Director.



**K**ansas State president Jon Wefald called the Wildcats' 41-7 victory against archrival Kansas at Manhattan last season the biggest victory in Bill Snyder's seven years as head coach.

Snyder was more reserved in his assessment. "Jon's speaking for Jon, I speak for me," Snyder says, "and I don't know if that's the case. It may be."

Certainly, the context was significant. The week before, Kansas State had suffered its first loss after six victories, falling to Nebraska 49-25 in Lincoln.

"I felt we were past the point where anyone could do this to us," Wildcats' wide receiver Kevin Lockett said afterward.



Chris Canty

Kansas State was too "emotionally charged" against Nebraska, says Snyder. "That's my responsibility and my fault. I think I put them in a position where, maybe, they were destined to fail."

Still, Snyder is determined to measure his program against the best.

"There's a maturity level where you can handle emotion and execution at the same time," he says. Snyder's goal is for Kansas State to continue toward such a maturity level.

## quarterbacks

In the second quarter of a 54-21 victory against Colorado State in the Holiday Bowl, Brian Kavanagh came off the bench to replace an injured Matt Miller, and before the night was over, Kavanagh had secured the No. 1 quarterback job for 1996.

Kavanagh, now a senior, completed 18-of-24 passes for 242 yards and four touchdowns to earn the Holiday Bowl's Most Valuable Player award.

Senior Cody Lee Smith and sophomore Casey Vidricksen provide Snyder with stability at this all-important position.

## running backs

The Wildcats had their best running attack in 13 years last season. Even so, they ranked last in the Big Eight in rushing offense, averaging 172.1 yards per game.

Juniors Eric Hickson and Mike Lawrence combined to rush for 1,415 yards and 11 touchdowns. Hickson's 816 yards were the second-most ever by a Kansas State sophomore. He averaged a school record 5.2 yards per carry and rushed for 100 or more yards five times to earn all-conference honorable mention.

Lawrence rushed for 100 or more yards twice, including a career-best 118 yards against Kansas. Hickson had 121 yards in that game.

Brian Goolsby, a redshirt freshman, moves in as the No. 1 fullback, with sophomore Matt Gangwish as a backup.

## receivers

Lockett, a senior, is the only returning wide-out, but he's a good one. He was a unanimous All-Big Eight selection after leading the conference in receiving with 56 catches for 797 yards and a school record 13 touchdowns. One of the touchdown catches came on the final play to turn what would have been a shocking upset into a 23-21 victory at Cincinnati.

Senior Jimmy Dean was the fourth receiver in 1995, catching eight passes for 76 yards. Other available wide receivers lack experience.

Junior Jarrett Grosdidier and sophomore Justin Swift have moved up at tight end. Grosdidier has earned two letters as a backup.

## offensive linemen

Senior center Jason Johnson, a two-time Academic All-District honoree with a 3.83 cumulative grade-point average (on a 4.0 scale) in business administration, received all-conference honorable mention from the league's coaches. Despite being bothered by a wrist injury, he graded 88 percent last season. Johnson has been penalized only twice in the last two seasons, evidence of his consistency.

Junior guard Kendyl Jacox also earned all-conference honorable mention. Jacox allowed only one sack and four quarterback hurries in 300 passing attempts.

Senior guard Ross Greenwood is the other returning starter. When he was sidelined by injury for six games, sophomore Jeremy Martin stepped in. Senior Brian O'Neil also has started twice at guard, giving the Wildcats plenty of experience in the middle.

That's not the case at the tackles, where junior Todd Weiner, sophomore Ryan Young and redshirt freshmen Damian McIntosh and Ian Moses are among the top candidates.

## defensive linemen

Kansas State finished 10-2 and ranked seventh nationally by The Associated Press in large part because of a veteran defense. The Wildcats







led the nation in total defense. Several key players are gone. Senior end Nyle Wiren is the only returning starter up front. Though slowed by injuries last season after earning all-conference recognition as a sophomore, he managed eight sacks for 46 yards in losses, caused two fumbles and accounted for two safeties.

Senior Thad Swazer and sophomore Darren Howard are the top two ends on the other side. Senior Andrew Timmons was in the rotation at tackle. Also in the picture are senior Brock Stefan, a converted offensive lineman, and sophomores Jason Hogaboom and Lance Grace.

## linebackers

Sophomore Travis Ochs was the Big Eight Defensive Freshman of the Year. He was credited with 73 tackles, including 29 unassisted and two for losses. He broke up four passes and intercepted one.

Senior DeShawn Fogle has been a regular since his freshman year and has shown flashes of brilliance. As a sophomore, he made 14 tackles and forced a fumble against Nebraska. As a freshman, he made 12 tackles, including nine solos, and had two sacks against Colorado.

The other spot will be filled from a group that includes senior Jabbar Williams, junior Casey Wehrman, sophomore Joe Bob Clements, red-shirt freshman Mark Simoneau and true freshman Turelle Williams.

## defensive backs

The strength of the defense is definitely the secondary, and junior cornerback Chris Canty is the

best of the best. Canty was a consensus All-American last season, the first Kansas State sophomore to be so honored. Canty tied for tops in the nation in pass interceptions with a school record eight and returned two for touchdowns. He also broke up 17 passes. He is exceptional in one-on-one coverage, allowing only 13 pass completions in 335 such situations last season.

Senior cornerback Joe Gordon, a two-time All-Big Eight selection, is similarly talented. He made 48 tackles, including 28 solos. He played five games in which the opposition didn't complete a pass against him in man-to-man coverage.

Senior free safety Mario Smith has been overshadowed by Canty and Gordon. But he was the defensive MVP in the Holiday Bowl and finished second on the team in tackles with 95, including 58 unassisted. Junior Monty Spiller is among the top candidates to start at strong safety.

## kicking game

Junior Martin Gramatica has been the regular placekicker for two seasons. He has been successful on 13-of-19 field-goal attempts in his college career, including 7-of-10 a year ago. Junior Scott Collins, Gramatica's backup, handles kickoffs. Sophomore James Garcia averaged 41.5 yards per punt as a true freshman.

Canty likely will return punts. Dean, Lawrence and Hickson return kickoffs.

## rising star

Senior wide receiver Jimmy Dean was a top reserve last season after transferring to Kansas State from Butler County (Kan.) Community



Joe Gordon

Brian Bland

College. Even so, his playing time was limited. Now, he'll step up in a pass-oriented offense that will provide him an opportunity to use his 4.3 speed and post big numbers.

## final analysis

The Wildcats will be better offensively but not quite as good defensively, which stands to reason given their losses from the nation's top-ranked defense of a year ago. Kansas coach Glen Mason says of last year's K-State defense: "I didn't think anybody could shut our offense down like that."

The Wildcats play Texas Tech in Manhattan on Aug. 31 in the first-ever Big 12 (inter-divisional) game, so it should be immediately apparent what direction their 1996 campaign is likely to take.

## ALL-TIME WILDCATS 1896-1995

### Offense

WR	Michael Smith	1988-91
WR	Dave Jones	1966-68
OL	George Maddox	1932-34
OL	Quentin Neujahr	1990-93
OL	Ray Hahn	18, 20-22
OL	Tom O'Boyle	1951-53
OL	Bill Brittain	1971-73
QB	Lynn Dickey	1968-70
RB	Isaac Jackson	1971-73
RB	Eric Gallon	1989, 91-92
RB	Ralph Graham	1931-33
K	Steve Willis	1981-84

### Defense

DL	Henry Cronkite	1929-31
DL	Tim Colston	1992-95
DL	Bill Matan	1963-65
DL	James Walker	1977-80
LB	Dan Lankas	1965-67
LB	Gary Spani	1974-77
LB	Brooks Barta	1989-92
DB	Clarence Scott	1968-70
DB	Verly Switzer	1951-53
DB	Jaime Mendez	1990-93
DB	Chris Canty	1994-95
P	Sean Snyder	1991-92



Nyle Wiren

Brian Bland



# KANSAS STATE ROSTER

**1995 Record:**  
**Big Eight Record:**

**10-2-0**  
**5-2-0**

**Head Coach:**  
**Bill Snyder**

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	CL.	HOMETOWN
25	Anderson, Andre	WR	5-10	190	Jr.	West Palm Beach, FL
53	Bush, Mike	DE	6-3	230	So.	Stillwell, KS
2	Canty, Chris	CB	5-10	190	Jr.	Voorhees, NJ
17	Chapman, Lamar	DB	6-1	175	Fr.	Liberal, KS
21	Charles, Marlon	RB	5-10	195	So.	Kansas City, MO
46	Clements, Joe Bob	LB	6-3	225	So.	Emporia, KS
15	Collins, Scott	PK	5-8	190	Jr.	Kansas City, MO
5	Conley, David	FS	6-2	200	So.	St. Louis, MO
91	Curry, Pat	DT	6-2	270	Fr.	Granite City, IL
22	Dean, Jimmy	WR	5-10	190	Sr.	Pompano Beach, FL
29	Denmark, Demetric	CB	5-9	175	Jr.	Winterhaven, FL
14	Dotson, Edwin Lin	DB	6-0	185	Fr.	St. Louis, MO
8	Fogle, DeShawn	LB	6-2	235	Sr.	Manhattan, KS
61	Frigon, Blake	C	5-11	260	Sr.	Clay Center, KS
27	Gangwish, Matt	FB	5-11	225	Jr.	Shelton, NE
16	Garcia, James	P	6-2	195	So.	Victoria, TX
30	Goolsby, Brian	FB	6-3	245	Fr.	Dodge City, KS
1	Gordon, Joe	CB	5-9	180	Sr.	Arlington, TX
96	Grace, Lance	DT	6-1	275	Fr.	Denver, CO
10	Gramatica, Martin	PK	5-9	160	Jr.	LaBelle, FL
79	Greenwood, Ross	OG	6-4	300	Sr.	Fayetteville, AR
82	Grosdidier, Jarrett	TE	6-5	250	Jr.	St. Paul, KS
88	Hackney, Troy	WR	6-1	200	So.	Hays, KS
97	Hall, Cornelius	DE	6-3	210	Fr.	Ft. Lauderdale, FL
15	Harris, Ernest	WR	6-0	185	Jr.	Wichita, KS
19	Helm, Adam	QB	6-2	195	Fr.	Overland Park, KS
66	Hess, Chris	OG	6-1	275	Jr.	Pocahontas, IA
24	Hickson, Eric	RB	5-10	195	Fr.	Ft. Lauderdale, FL
93	Hogaboom, Jason	DT	6-1	270	Fr.	Manhattan, KS
49	Howard, Darren	DE	6-4	235	Fr.	St. Petersburg, FL
84	Jackson, Brian	WR	6-0	180	So.	Hays, KS
74	Jacox, Kendyl	OG	6-2	320	Jr.	Dallas, TX
7	Johnson, Clyde	CB	5-10	200	Sr.	Austin, TX
64	Johnson, Jason	C	6-3	275	Sr.	Gladstone, MO
12	Kavanagh, Brian	QB	6-3	220	Sr.	Naperville, IL
34	Kidd, Eddie	WR	5-9	180	Sr.	Topeka, KS
32	King, Derek	SS	5-10	195	So.	Fort Meade, FL
67	Knott, John	DT	6-4	275	Fr.	Pasadena, MD
62	Knowles, Brandon	LS	6-0	245	So.	El Dorado, KS
20	Lawrence, Mike	RB	5-10	190	Jr.	Carol City, FL
19	Lenz, Matt	LB	6-0	205	So.	Stillwell, KS

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	CL.	HOMETOWN
52	Levin, Spencer	LB	6-1	225	Fr.	Kensington, KS
43	Litton, Travis	DE	6-3	215	Fr.	Beloit, KS
83	Lockett, Kevin	WR	6-1	180	Sr.	Tulsa, OK
78	Martin, Jeremy	OG	6-3	300	So.	Liberty, MO
39	McIntosh, Damion	OT	6-5	290	Fr.	Hollywood, FL
65	McIntyre, David	OG	6-2	300	So.	Ravenna, OH
54	Melichar, Tad	LB	6-2	225	So.	Caldwell, KS
37	Miller, Ryan	FB	6-1	220	So.	Salina, KS
37	Molitor, Bill	DE	6-2	225	Jr.	Andale, KS
70	Moses, Ian	OT	6-3	290	Fr.	W. Palm Beach, FL
60	Munson, Mike	OG	6-3	300	So.	DeSoto, TX
69	Nabours, Brian	C	6-3	270	So.	Stillwell, KS
50	Ochs, Travis	LB	6-3	225	So.	Overland Park, KS
68	O'Neil, Brian	OG	6-3	275	Sr.	Littleton, CO
67	Payne, Ryan	LS	6-1	215	Fr.	Salina, KS
26	Prestwood, Mark	CB	6-1	195	So.	Sabetha, KS
87	Ries, David	WR	6-4	210	Fr.	St. Louis, MO
38	Romano, Chad	P	6-1	195	Sr.	W. Palm Beach, FL
57	Sanchoyerto, Alex	DT	6-3	270	Fr.	Miami, FL
42	Simoneau, Mark	LB	6-0	225	Fr.	Smith Center, KS
3	Smith, Cody Lee	QB	6-3	200	Sr.	Thousand Oaks, CA
4	Smith, Mario	DB	6-0	190	Jr.	Miami, FL
9	Spiller, Monty	FS	6-0	185	Jr.	Dallas, TX
72	Stefan, Brock	DT	6-3	285	Sr.	Largo, FL
45	Swazer, Thad	DE	6-4	250	Sr.	Denver, CO
86	Swift, Justin	TE	6-4	245	So.	Overland Park, KS
31	Thomas, Corion	RB	5-9	180	Fr.	Beaumont, TX
99	Timmons, Andrew	DT	6-3	280	Sr.	Brooksville, FL
73	Ulutu, Toosavili	C	6-1	290	Sr.	San Diego, CA
6	Udricksen, Casey	QB	6-2	210	So.	Salina, KS
31	Weaver, George	FS	5-11	180	So.	Kansas City, KS
51	Wehrman, Casey	LB	6-1	210	Jr.	Derby, KS
46	Wehrman, Shelby	LB	5-10	200	Fr.	Derby, KS
75	Weiner, Todd	OT	6-5	280	Jr.	Coral Springs, FL
13	Wight, J.W.	WR	6-3	200	Jr.	Burlingame, KS
56	Williams, Jabbar	LB	6-3	230	Sr.	Galveston, TX
41	Williams, Turrelle	LB	6-2	200	Fr.	St. Louis, MO
44	Wiren, Nyle	DE	6-1	250	Sr.	Wichita, KS
47	Woodard, Jesse	TE	6-3	220	So.	Goodland, KS
76	Young, Ryan	OT	6-6	320	So.	St. Louis, MO

## 1996 SIGNEES

NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	HOMETOWN
Allen, David	RB	5-10	175	Liberty, MO
Rushed for 1,471 yds. and 19 TDs last fall.				
Beard, Adrian	DB	5-9	170	St. Charles, MO
All-conference; all-district; rushed for 1,086 yds. last fall.				
Beasley, Jonathan	QB	6-2	210	Glendale, AZ
Passed for 2,566 yds. and 28 TDs as a senior.				
Boule, Kenneth	DT	6-1	280	San Marcos, TX
Junior college All-American last season for Blinn JC.				
Brame, Da'Von	DE	6-4	195	Aurora, CO
All-state; all-city; league Defensive Player of the Year; recorded 44 tackles in 1995.				
Carter, Dyshod	RB-DB	5-11	170	Denver, CO
Rushed for 1,450 yds. and 28 TDs as a senior.				
Clayton, Chris	RB	5-11	175	Tulsa, OK
All-conference; all-district; all-metro; all-state; rushed for 1,798 yds. and 20 TDs last season.				
Cooper, Jarrod	LB-DB	6-2	200	Pearland, TX
All-state; listed as the 60th-best player by SuperPrep out of the Southwest region.				
Cummings, Ryan	OL	6-5	250	Kansas City, MO
All-district; all-metro; all-state.				
Cummins, Randall	OL	6-4	260	Cedar Hill, TX
Recorded 100 tackles with 12 sacks in 1995.				
Dotson, Edwin Lin	DB	6-2	180	St. Louis, MO
All-metro; all-state; in his senior season, he intercepted seven passes.				
Evans, Jerome	DL	6-6	305	Waco, TX
All-Jayhawk League last season for Hutchinson (KS) College.				
Hall, Cornelius	DE	6-4	210	Ft. Lauderdale, FL
Florida's Top 75 prep players by BLUECHIP Illustrated.				
Hotz, Adam	OL	6-4	275	Papillion, NE
All-metro; all-division; all-state; recorded 121 tackles and seven QB sacks last fall.				
Houston, Polica	WR	6-1	180	Denver, CO
All-city; all-conference.				
Johnson, Chris	FB-LB	6-2	238	Chickasha, OK
All-state; Linebacker of the Year in class 5A; all-conference; rushed for 1,014 yds. and 15 TDs as a senior.				
Knott, Jon	OL-DL	6-4	275	Pasadena, MD
Runs a 4.8 40-yard dash.				
McCray, Clint	DT	6-2	275	Houston, TX
All-district.				
Meler, Shad	TE	6-5	225	Pittsburg, KS
All-state; U.C.-SEK League; all-area; Topeka Capital-Journal Top 11; recorded 16 catches for 400 yds. and four TDs as a senior.				
Reves, Grant	OL	6-6	290	Richardson, TX
All-district; Texas Dream Team.				
Robinson, Deandre	WR	5-7	145	Florissant, MO
Played nine games for SMU in 1995 then transferred to Kansas State.				
Smith, Cody Lee	QB	6-3	220	Thousand Oaks, CA
Was a member of K-State's 1995 recruiting class, but missed the fall semester with an illness.				
Stephenson, Milford	TE	6-3	215	Houston, TX
All-Greater Houston; all-district; caught 12 passes for 211 yds. last season.				
Tucker, Steve	DE	6-5	220	Gladstone, MO
All-state; recorded 55 tackles, including seven sacks as a senior.				
Wesley, Martez	WR	5-11	165	Kansas City, KS
All-state as a senior in 1994.				
Williams, Turrelle	LB	6-2	220	St. Louis, MO
BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American.				

## DEPTH CHART

### OFFENSE (5)

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LT	75 Todd Weiner (Jr., 1); 77 Damian McIntosh (Fr., 0)
LG	79 Ross Greenwood (Sr., 3); 68 Brian O'Neil (Sr., 2)
C	64 Jason Johnson (Sr., 3); 73 Toosavili Ulutu (Sr., 1)
RG	74 Kendyl Jacox (Jr., 2); 78 Jeremy Martin (So., 1)
RT	76 Ryan Young (So., 1); 70 Ian Moses (Fr., 0)
TE	82 Jarrett Grosdidier (Jr., 2); 86 Justin Swift (So., 1)
QB	12 Brian Kavanagh (Sr., 2); 6 Casey Vidricksen (So., 0)
FB	30 Brian Goolsby (Fr., 0); 27 Matt Gangwish (Jr., 0)
RB	24 Eric Hickson (Jr., 2); 20 Mike Lawrence (Jr., 2)
WR	22 Jimmy Dean (Sr., 1); 84 Brian Jackson (So., 0)
PK	10 Martin Gramatica (Jr., 2)

### DEFENSE (6)

DE	44 Nyle Wiren (Sr., 3); 53 Mike Bush (So., 0)
DT	99 Andrew Timmons (Sr., 2); 93 Jason Hogaboom (Fr., 0)
DT	72 Brock Stefan (Sr., 1); 96 Lance Grace (Fr., 0)
DE	45 Thad Swazer (Sr., 1); 49 Darren Howard (Fr., 0)
LB	50 Travis Ochs (So., 1); 46 Joe Bob Clements (So., 1)
LB	8 DeShawn Fogle (Sr., 3); 51 Casey Wehrman (Jr., 1)
LB	56 Jabbar Williams (Sr., 1); 41 Turrelle Williams (Fr., 0)
CB	2 Chris Canty (Jr., 2); 7 Clyde Johnson (Sr., 2)
FS	4 Mario Smith (Sr., 3); 5 David Conley (So., 1)
SS	9 Monty Spiller (Jr., 1); 32 Derek King (So., 0)
CB	1 Joe Gordon (Sr., 3); 29 Demetric Denmark (Jr., 0)
P	16 James Garcia (So., 1)

## TOP RETURNING LEADERS

**Passing:** Brian Kavanagh, 36-58-437-1, 5 TDs  
**Rushing:** Eric Hickson, 158 car., 816 yds., 8 TDs  
**Receiving:** Kevin Lockett, 56 rec., 797 yds., 13 TDs  
**Scoring:** Kevin Lockett, 13 TDs, 78 points  
**Punting:** James Garcia, 39 punts, 41.5 avg.  
**Kicking:** Martin Gramatica, 7-10 FGs, 43-44 XP  
**Tackles:** Mario Smith, 95, 58 solo  
**Sacks:** Nyle Wiren, 8  
**Interceptions:** Chris Canty, 8 for 117 yds., 2 TDs

## 1996 SCHEDULE

Aug. 31	Texas Tech
Sept. 7	Indiana State
Sept. 14	Cincinnati
Sept. 21	at Rice
Oct. 5	Nebraska
Oct. 12	at Missouri
Oct. 19	at Texas A&M
Oct. 26	Oklahoma
Nov. 9	at Kansas
Nov. 16	at Colorado
Nov. 23	Iowa State

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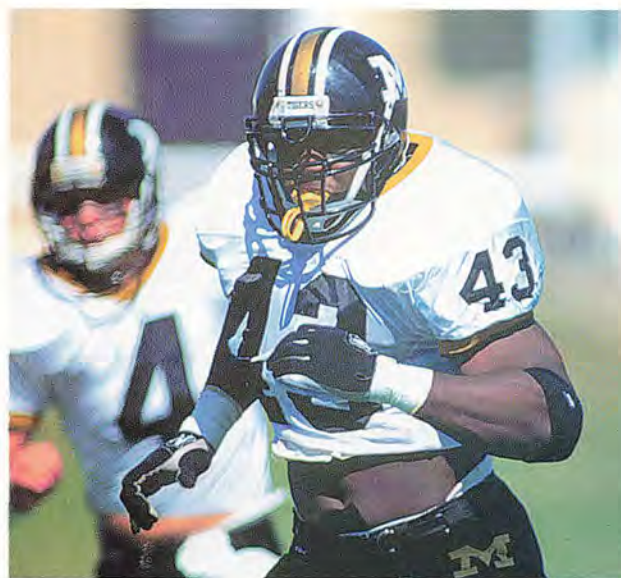
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**A**fter a 30-0 loss to Kansas State last season, Missouri coach Larry Smith announced he was going to revamp and simplify his offense, which had managed only 118 total yards against the Wildcats.

"We're going to have to make some changes, maybe take some things out of the offense," he said.

A week later, the Tigers' restructured offense produced 122 total yards in a 57-0 loss at Nebraska, prompting Smith to remark: "It was a heck of a revamp job, wasn't it? We simplified things for this week, but we can't simplify ourselves so much that we don't give ourselves versatility."



**Daryl Chatman**

Smith's interest in simplicity was a result of his team's inexperience, which contributed to the penalties and turnovers that, combined with a lack of passing, made Missouri ineffective offensively.

"I don't think anybody in their right mind wouldn't be discouraged or frustrated," Smith said halfway through what would be a 3-8 season. "But I've got a lot of young kids in there, and I've got to keep them going."

The Tigers are still thin in key areas. As a result, Smith's third season in Columbia, Mo., could be just as frustrating as the first two.

## quarterbacks

Sophomore Corby Jones, son of assistant coach Curtis Jones, was going to be redshirted last season. After the Kansas State game, however, Smith changed his mind.

An option quarterback who was recruited by Nebraska out of high school in Columbia, Mo., Jones played five series against the Cornhuskers and learned "how to take a hit — just get up and don't say anything." With that brief on-the-job training, he became the starter for the final five games.

Jones finished with 368 yards and four touchdowns rushing, on 78 carries. He didn't solve the Tigers' passing problems, however, completing only 14-of-42 for 134 yards, with four interceptions.

Sophomore Kent Skornia, who doesn't run nearly as well as Jones, is the better passer. He completed 22-of-53 for 230 yards and two touchdowns during limited action in seven games. He was intercepted twice.

## running backs

Even without a passing threat to keep defenses honest, the Tigers were able to run effectively. The primary reason for that was Brock Olivo, who rushed for 985 yards, the fourth-highest single-season total in school history. Olivo, a junior, ran for six touchdowns and led the team in pass receptions with 17 for 101 yards.

Olivo isn't flashy and doesn't have exceptional speed. His nickname among teammates and coaches is Forrest Gump, in part because of his running style. He makes up for his limitations with exceptional strength, however.

"We're going to move our tailback around," says Smith, who also experimented with formations utilizing two tailbacks during spring practice. "He could line up as a third receiver."

Juniors Ron Janes and Ernest Blackwell are big, powerful fullbacks.

## receivers

Six receivers with starting experience return, including senior tight end Bill Lingerfelt, who earned all-conference honorable mention last season after catching 13 passes for 202 yards.

Senior Rahsetnu Jenkins and redshirt freshman Kent Layman earned starts at wide receiver in the spring.

Jenkins played in only four games last season after catching 40 passes as a sophomore.

## offensive linemen

Prior to last season, Smith said he was looking for more agile and athletic linemen. He envisioned an interior line comparable to those at Nebraska and Colorado.

"I'm not looking for 330-pound offensive linemen," Smith said. "I'd rather have a guy 6-4 to 6-7 and 280-290 pounds who can run and play tennis and volleyball and jump."

Senior center Russ Appel and junior guard Mike Morris measure up. Morris has started 20 games since becoming the first true freshman to start in the Tigers' line in nearly 20 years.

Junior tackle Travis Biebel started every game last season alongside Morris. Sophomore Cliff Smith was challenged in spring practice by Tim Ridgley, a highly regarded redshirt freshman. Sophomores Todd Neimeyer and Craig Heimburger will continue their competition to be the starter at the other tackle when they report in the fall.







## defensive linemen

The Tigers will be young up front. Junior Brian Cracraft and sophomore Justin Wyatt started 11 games between them at end. Cracraft made 38 tackles (including nine for losses totaling 28 yards) and one sack. Wyatt, due to start opposite Cracraft, had 37 tackles (including five for losses of 16 yards) and two sacks.

Junior nose tackle Donnell Jones saw limited action last fall but will start this year. Jeff Marriott, a redshirt freshman, appeared to have won the defensive guard spot on the basis of spring work.

## linebackers

Missouri is solid inside with seniors Joe Love and Darryl Chatman. Love finished second on the team in tackles with 119. Chatman, a two-year starter, was credited with 94 tackles, despite being slowed by injuries. He had a career-high 18 tackles against Nebraska.

Sophomore Ramone Budgetts started two games at outside linebacker. He tallied 16 tackles, including four for losses totaling 15 yards (all against Oklahoma).

## defensive backs

The Tiger secondary is the strongest part of the defense, with quality players two-deep at every position. Senior free safety DeMontie Cross is the best. A second-team all-conference selection last season, Cross led Missouri in tackles with 144, including 21 against Kansas. He forced five fumbles. He made 13 tackles for 35 yards in losses and blocked one punt.

Junior Shad Criss and senior Clayton Baker are solid cornerbacks with exceptional speed. Criss is credited with a personal-best 4.25 in the 40-yard dash. Baker has run a 4.36. They are outstanding in man-to-man coverage.

Criss, a converted wide receiver and former sprinter on the track team, earned all-conference honorable mention last season. He intercepted two passes and broke up seven others. Baker had four interceptions, including three against North Texas, and broke up four passes.

In the spring, sophomore Caldrinoff Easter pushed junior Terrence Binion at strong safety. Senior Derrick Miller was shifted to free safety. He started three games and played in all 11 at cornerback in '95. Sophomores Randy Potter, the son of former Missouri All-Big Eight safety Kevin Potter, and Harold Piersay played as true freshmen and have excellent speed.

## kicking game

Sophomore Jason Smith punted a school-record 79 times last season, averaging 36.5 yards. Junior Mark Norris was 8-of-12 on field-goal attempts, including 7-of-7 inside 40 yards. Michael Gauthier, an incoming freshman, could handle kickoffs. Potter is a proven punt and kick-off returner, with exceptional speed. Among the others are Baker and Jenkins.

## rising star

Strong safety Easter played in 11 games as a nickel back and on special teams last season. He made 32 tackles, including a career-high nine against Colorado. In addition, he returned one of



David Preston

his three interceptions 51 yards for a touchdown in Missouri's only conference victory, against Iowa State. He's ready to play regularly.

## final analysis

Missouri avoided finishing in the Big Eight cellar by itself when it defeated Iowa State 45-31 in the final game last year. The Tigers rushed for 473 yards, including 201 by Olivo.

"Missouri is a program that is a year ahead of us in terms of development and just took us apart defensively," Iowa State coach Dan McCarney says. That might be small consolation in the first year of the Big 12.

Missouri and Iowa State almost certainly will find themselves competing to avoid the cellar.



Shad Criss

## ALL-TIME TIGERS 1890-1995

### Offense

WR	Mel Gray	1968-70
WR	Victor Bailey	1990-92
TE	Kellen Winslow	1976-78
OL	Francis Peay	1964-65
OL	Russ Washington	1965-67
OL	Brad Edelman	1978-81
OL	Ed Travis	1919-20
OL	John Clay	1983-86
QB	Paul Christman	1938-40
RB	Bob Steuber	1940-42
RB	James Wilder	1978-80
K	Tom Whelihan	1984-87

### Defense

DL	Jeff Cross	1986-87
DL	Bobby Bell	1981-83
DL	Danny LaRose	1958-60
DL	Rocky Wallace	1967-70
LB	Darold Jenkins	1940-41
LB	Travis McDonald	1991-94
LB	Gus Otto	1962-64
DB	Harry Colon	1987-90
DB	Roger Wehrli	1966-68
DB	Johnny Roland	1962, 64-65
DB	Erik McMillan	1984-87
P	Kyle Pooler	1991-94



# MISSOURI ROSTER

**1995 Record:**  
**Big Eight Record:**

**3-8-0**  
**1-6-0**

**Head Coach:**  
**Larry Smith**

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	CL.	HOMETOWN
50	Appel, Russ	C	6-3	255	Sr.	Hurst, TX
26	Baker, Clayton	CB	5-10	176	Sr.	Denison, TX
19	Benton, Sean	CB	5-11	210	So.	St. Paul, MN
61	Biebel, Travis	OT	6-4	265	Jr.	Blue Springs, MO
12	Binion, Terrence	SS	6-3	187	Jr.	St. Louis, MO
22	Blackwell, Ernest	FB	6-3	249	Jr.	Eureka, MO
26	Brocke, Jeremy	WR	6-1	179	Fr.	Chillicothe, MO
87	Brooks, Eddie	WR	6-1	204	So.	Blue Springs, MO
49	Budgetts, Ramone	OLB	6-2	231	So.	Kansas City, MO
4	Carter, Justin	ILB	6-2	220	Fr.	Odessa, MO
43	Chatman, Darryl	ILB	6-1	245	Sr.	St. Louis, MO
48	Cooper, Shawn	FB	5-11	222	Fr.	Green Bay, WI
59	Cracraft, Brian	DE	6-3	249	Jr.	Mesa, AZ
5	Criss, Shad	HB	5-10	173	Jr.	St. Louis, MO
9	Cross, DeMontie	FS	6-4	209	Sr.	St. Louis, MO
83	Daniels, Maurice	ILB	5-10	206	So.	Kansas City, MO
58	Dolan, Charles	ILB	6-2	225	So.	Springfield, MO
	Dorema, Ernest	WR	5-9	165	Sr.	Delray Beach, FL
92	Douglas, Eric	DE	6-4	259	Sr.	Compton, CA
20	Easter, Caldrinoff	SS	5-10	186	So.	Houston, TX
	Elsayed, Amir	TE	6-3	218	Fr.	St. Peters, MO
94	Erickson, Steve	DE	6-4	254	Fr.	Dallas, TX
	Finke, David	FB	5-10	240	Jr.	Bowling Green, MO
	Fisher, Jimmy	DG	6-2	245	Sr.	Portageville, MO
	Flens, Stephen	P	6-0	177	Fr.	St. Louis, MO
30	Ford, Kevin	ILB	6-1	220	Jr.	Denison, TX
	Garrison, David	TE	6-5	220	Fr.	Chillicothe, MO
	Geiger, Tim	K	5-11	160	Fr.	Belleville, IL
63	Haag, Steve	OG	6-1	286	Sr.	Brookfield, MO
54	Hawkes, Matt	ILB	6-2	221	Jr.	Vernal, UT
57	Heimbürger, Craig	OT	6-3	293	So.	Belleville, IL
73	Henderson, Mitch	OG	6-3	256	Jr.	Ballwin, MO
35	Hickman, Phillip	OLB	6-1	217	So.	Kansas City, MO
34	Janes, Ron	FB	6-3	255	Jr.	Clarence, MO
2	Jenkins, Rahsetnu	WR	6-2	173	Sr.	St. Louis, MO
96	Johnson, Jason	CB	6-0	192	Jr.	Jerseyville, IL
2	Johnson, Kondwani	TB	6-0	220	Fr.	Tempe, AZ
28	Johnson, Rashidi	FB	6-0	206	Fr.	Tempe, AZ
7	Jones, Corby	QB	6-1	216	Jr.	Columbia, MO
97	Jones, Donnell	NT	6-4	266	Jr.	St. Louis, MO
51	Josue, Samuel	OLB	6-2	221	Jr.	Miami, FL
99	Keely, Darren	NT	6-4	275	Fr.	St. Louis, MO
	Knickman, Scott	PK	5-11	217	Jr.	St. Louis, MO
40	Layman, Kent	WR	5-11	185	Fr.	Kirkwood, MO
	Leonard, Jon	FS	6-0	204	Fr.	Montgomery City, MO
46	Libke, Brett	DE	6-3	248	Jr.	Arnold, MO
85	Lingerfelt, Bill	TE	6-4	249	Sr.	Kansas City, MO
47	Londe, Alex	ILB	6-2	210	Fr.	Henderson, TN
45	Love, Joe	ILB	6-2	220	Sr.	Austin, TX
93	Marriott, Jeff	DG	6-5	262	Fr.	Chillicothe, MO

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	CL.	HOMETOWN
1	Massa, Keith	P	6-4	190	Sr.	Pacific, MO
10	McArthur, John	QB	6-2	190	Fr.	St. Louis, MO
64	Meredith, Chris	OL	6-5	275	So.	St. Joseph, MO
3	Miller, Derrick	FS	5-11	186	Sr.	Detroit, MI
79	Mittelstadt, Tim	DG	6-6	253	So.	Kansas City, MO
53	Morris, Jamie	ILB	6-1	224	Jr.	Columbia, MO
62	Morris, Mike	OG	6-3	281	Jr.	Brookfield, MO
81	Murchinson, Jay	WR	6-1	188	Jr.	Richmond, VA
	Myers, Brian	OG	6-5	239	So.	St. Louis, MO
69	Neimeyer, Todd	OT	6-5	277	So.	Brookfield, MO
16	Norris, Mark	PK	6-2	186	Sr.	Potosi, MO
39	Odom, Barry	ILB	6-0	197	Fr.	Ada, OK
27	Olivo, Brock	TB	6-1	210	Jr.	Washington, MO
22	Piersey, Harold	FS	6-2	183	So.	Kansas City, KS
21	Potter, Randy	CB	5-10	175	So.	St. Louis, MO
	Puyear, Chris	QB	6-1	170	So.	Chesterfield, MO
67	Ridgley, Tim	OG	6-4	276	Fr.	High Hill, MO
76	Riti, Rob	NT	6-3	256	Fr.	Florissant, MO
68	Rowe, David	DG	6-3	252	Jr.	St. Louis, MO
	Scheuring, John	TE	6-2	225	Fr.	San Rafael, CA
38	Schmanke, Paul	OLB	6-0	199	Fr.	Florissant, MO
15	Scott, Stephen	HB	6-1	183	Fr.	Houston, TX
17	Sebo, Vince	P	6-1	225	Fr.	Spring, TX
82	Shepherd, Lou	WR	6-0	214	Sr.	Blue Springs, MO
78	Silliman, Mike	OT	6-5	290	Fr.	Bridgeton, MO
	Simmons, Jamon	WR	5-9	162	Fr.	St. Louis, MO
	Simmons, Keith	WR	5-5	148	So.	Kansas City, MO
18	Skornia, Kent	QB	6-4	199	So.	Washington, MO
70	Smith, Cliff	OG	6-5	264	So.	Chillicothe, MO
25	Smith, Jason	P	5-9	168	So.	Ryan, OK
	Springer, Colin	DE	6-4	225	So.	Arnold, MO
36	Sterling, Al	NT	5-11	239	So.	Mesa, AZ
88	Stueve, Jake	TE	6-3	242	So.	Kansas City, MO
56	Sundall, Shawn	OLB	6-2	228	Jr.	Columbia, MO
	Taylor, Billy	WR	6-2	179	So.	Peoria, IL
52	Valadez, Michael	C	6-2	283	Fr.	Corpus Christi, TX
32	West, Devin	TB	6-2	217	So.	Moberly, MO
6	Williams, Kenyetta	TB	5-10	195	Sr.	St. Louis, MO
	Williams, Torey	WR	5-7	155	Jr.	Overland, MO
	Wisdom, Ben	TB	6-0	189	Jr.	Independence, MO
29	Wortham, Stevonne	FS	6-0	180	So.	Detroit, MI
90	Wyatt, Justin	DE	6-4	251	So.	Hermann, MO
	Young, Kevin	PK-P	6-1	184	Fr.	Dexter, MO
89	Young, Martez	WR	6-1	182	So.	Kansas City, KS

## 1996 SIGNEES

NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	HOMETOWN
Angelica, Jared	LB	6-2	235	Pasadena, TX
All district; led team with more than 100 tackles each of the last three seasons.				
Barge, Jared	OL	6-0	260	Blue Springs, MO
All-metro; all state.				
Campbell, Carl	DB	5-11	195	Kansas City, KS
All-metro punter in the Kansas City area with a 45.1 yd. avg. last season.				
Carrazal, Paul	OL	6-4	320	Grand Prairie, TX
All-area Fort Worth Star-Telegram, all-district.				
Coleman, Torey	WR	6-2	185	Harbour City, CA
Caught 34 passes for more than 600 yds and 10 TDs last season for El Camino Coll.				
Douglass, Ryan	QB	6-2	195	Lake Forest, IL
Son of former Chicago Bears star QB Bobby Douglass.				
Gauthier, Michael	K	5-10	170	Chandler, AZ
Made 17-of-26 field goals in his career, and all nine misses were from beyond 50 yds.				
Glauber, Joe	OL	6-3	265	Overland Park, KS
All-Sunflower Conference, all-metro; all state.				
Hawkes, Matt	LB	6-2	220	Vernal, UT
Played last fall for Ricks Coll.				
Hendricks, Harold		6-3	195	Bowling Green, MO
State hurdles champion.				
Hughes, Jayson	TE	6-4	220	Corpus Christi, TX
Has 4.8 speed and is one of the top high hurdles in Texas.				
Johnson, Rashidi	FB	6-0	205	Tempe, AZ
Runs the 40 in 4.6 seconds.				
Jones, Julian	DB	5-11	178	Midwest City, OK
An outstanding tackler with 4.4 speed.				
Josue, Sam	LB	6-2	216	Miami, FL
All-Conference last season for Kemper Mil. JC.				
LeMieux, Michael	DL	6x-4	280	Pasco, WA
Played last fall for Walla Walla CC.				
Martin, Chad	FB	6-3	235	Auxvasse, MO
Rushed for nearly 1,000 yds as a senior.				
Mazuch, Barry	LB	6-5	205	Madison, NE
Runs the 40 in 4.7 seconds.				
Mingucci, Pat	DL	6-2	240	Jefferson City, MO
All-district; all-state made 40 tackles last season, with 12 quarterback sacks.				
Odom, Barry	RB	6-2	200	Ada, OK
Didn't sign last year due to an injured knee that required surgery in June.				
Pipkin, Neil	DE	6-5	220	Moore, OK
Hard hitter with unlimited potential.				
Rhodes, Ricardo	TB	5-5	185	St. Louis, MO
Player of the Year in St. Louis, set a state record with 48 TDs and rushed for more than 1,800 yds. last season.				
Roberson, Andre	DB	5-10	165	Houston, TX
Has 4.38 speed.				
Ross, Ricky	WR	6-0	175	Las Vegas, NV
Caught 20 passes last season for Dixie Coll.				
Sebo, Vince	P	6-2	210	Spring, TX
Averaged 46 yds per punt last season.				
Tucker, Kevin	RB	5-9	175	Springfield, MO
Rushed for more than 1,100 yds last season and scored 15 TDs.				
Weaver, Leslie	WR	5-7	160	Evanston, IL
Has 4.3 speed and is a great open field runner.				
Whittington, Daryl	DE	6-6	210	St. Louis, MO
Runs the 40 in 4.7				

## DEPTH CHART

### OFFENSE (8)

**WR** 40 Kent Layman (Fr., 0); 26 Jeremy Brocke (Fr., 0)  
**LT** 61 Travis Biebel (Jr., 1); 64 Chris Meredith (So., 0)  
**LG** 62 Mike Morris (Jr., 2); 73 Mitch Henderson (Jr., 0)  
**C** 50 Russ Appel (Sr., 2); 52 Michael Valadez (Fr., 0)  
**RG** 70 Cliff Smith (So., 1); 67 Tim Ridgley (Fr., 0)  
**RT** 69 Todd Neimeyer (So., 1); 57 Craig Heimbürger (So., 1)  
**TE** 85 Bill Lingerfelt (Sr., 3); 88 Jake Stueve (So., 1)  
**WR** 2 Rahsetnu Jenkins (Sr., 3); Jay Murchison (Jr., 2)  
**QB** 7 Corby Jones (Jr., 1); 18 Kent Skornia (So., 1)  
**TB** 27 Brock Olivo (Jr., 2); 32 Devin West (So., 1)  
**FB** 34 Ron Janes (Jr., 2); 22 Ernest Blackwell (Jr., 2)  
**PK** 16 Mark Norris (Jr., 1)

### DEFENSE (7)

**OLB** 49 Ramone Budgetts (So., 1); 56 Shawn Sundall (Jr., 2)  
**LE** 59 Brian Cracraft (Jr., 2); 92 Eric Douglas (Sr., 1)  
**DG** 93 Jeff Marriott (Fr., 0); 79 Tim Mittelstadt (So., 1)  
**NT** 97 Donnell Jones (Jr., 1); 76 Rob Riti (Fr., 0)  
**RE** 90 Justin Wyatt (So., 1); 46 Brett Libke (Jr., 0)  
**ILB** 43 Darryl Chatman (Sr., 3); 30 Kevin Ford (Jr., 2)  
**ILB** 45 Joe Love (Sr., 3); 47 Alex Londe (Fr., 0)  
**CB** 5 Shad Criss (Jr., 2); 15 Stephen Scott (Fr., 0)  
**SS** 20 Caldrinoff Easter (So., 1); 12 Terrence Binion (Jr., 1)  
**FS** 9 DeMontie Cross (Jr., 2); Harold Piersey (So., 1)  
**CB** 26 Clayton Baker (Sr., 3); 21 Randy Potter (So., 1)  
**P** 25 Jason Smith (So., 1)

## TOP RETURNING LEADERS

**Passing:** Kent Skornia, 22-53-230-2, 2 TDs  
**Rushing:** Brock Olivo, 232 Car., 985 yds., 6 TDs  
**Receiving:** Brock Olivo, 17 rec. 101 yds., 0 TDs  
**Scoring:** Mark Norris, 8 FGs, 17 XP, 41 points  
**Punting:** Jason Smith, 79 punts, 36.5 avg.  
**Kicking:** Mark Norris, 8-12 FGs, 17-18 XP  
**Tackles:** DeMontie Cross, 144, 89 solo  
**Sacks:** Justin Wyatt, 2  
**Interceptions:** Clayton Baker, 4 for 38 yards

## 1996 SCHEDULE

Aug. 31 at Texas  
 Sept. 14 Memphis  
 Sept. 21 Clemson  
 Sept. 28 at Iowa State  
 Oct. 5 at SMU  
 Oct. 12 Kansas State  
 Oct. 26 Oklahoma State  
 Nov. 2 Colorado  
 Nov. 9 at Nebraska  
 Nov. 16 at Baylor  
 Nov. 23 Kansas

(#) indicates number of returning starters  
**BOLD** indicates returning starters  
 Number after class indicates letters won

Information provided by Bob Brendel, Sports Information Director.



**R**arely, if ever, has a college football team dominated its opposition the way Nebraska did in 1995.

"We have no answers, no answers," Florida coach Steve Spurrier said after watching Nebraska embarrass his Gator team 62-24 in the Fiesta Bowl game and win its second straight national championship.

Now, the Cornhuskers will attempt to become the first team to win a third consecutive national title since The Associated Press poll began in 1936. Only eight other teams, including Nebraska, champion in 1970-71, have even had the opportunity to do that.

Nebraska appears to have the essential raw

suspension and injuries to backups Clinton Childs and Damon Benning. Yet Green rushed for 1,086 yards, the most ever by a Cornhusker freshman, and scored 16 touchdowns. He was All-Big Eight and conference Offensive Newcomer of the Year.

Benning, a senior, started two games. And James Sims, a junior walk-on, might have been the most physically talented fifth-string I-back in the nation. Green, Benning and Sims will be joined by high-rated rookie DeAngelo Evans of Wichita, Kan.

Senior Brian Schuster and sophomore Joel Makovicka are running 1-2 at fullback. Both came to Nebraska as walk-ons.

## receivers

Typically, Nebraska's receivers are underappreciated because their first concern is blocking. Senior Brendan Holbein has been described by Ron Brown, his position coach, as the most tenacious blocking wide receiver at the collegiate level. Holbein's 14 receptions for 151 yards were a bonus in 1995.

Senior wingback Jon Vedral is similarly tenacious, as well as opportunistic. In addition to catching five touchdown passes, he recovered two fumbles for touchdowns. Juniors Tim Carpenter and Vershan Jackson, and sophomore Sheldon Jackson (no relation) probably will share time at tight end.

## offensive linemen

Nebraska has led the nation in rushing the last two seasons and in six of the last eight. The anticipated drop-off in the line didn't occur, even though three members of the 1994 offensive line had moved on to the NFL.

"They just grow those guys on trees, it seems," Kansas State defensive tackle Tim Colston said after Nebraska downed the Wildcats 49-25.

Three starters return. Junior Aaron Taylor, all-conference as a guard, moved to center during the spring. Senior Chris Dishman switches from tackle to guard to replace Taylor. Junior Eric Anderson returns at tackle, with senior Adam Treu, Anderson's backup a year ago, at the other. Junior Jon Zatechka will join Dishman at guard.

"The speed of their linemen sets them apart," says Iowa State inside linebacker Michael Cooper. "On their options and outside plays, they're into the secondary before you get a chance to do anything about it."

And Kansas State coach Bill Snyder says, "You can't beat Nebraska if you can't stop the run."

## defensive linemen

Junior tackle Jason Peter is a returning starter, and senior Jeff Ogard is the likeliest candidate to replace Jason's brother, Christian, who graduated, as the other tackle. Ogard has size and



Terrell Farley

materials: strength, speed and experience. The critical question: Does Tom Osborne, winningest active coach in NCAA Division I-A (231-47-3), have a quarterback on whom he can depend?

## quarterbacks

With the graduation of the spectacular Tommie Frazier, junior Scott Frost takes over. Frost participated as a backup for two years at Stanford before transferring to Nebraska, where his father, Larry, played wingback under coach Bob Devaney in the late '60s. Though recruited by Stanford out of Wood River, Neb., because of his passing skills, Frost has the physical credentials necessary to run the option. He is 6-3, 215 and has good speed. Senior Matt Turman is a seasoned, capable backup. In 1994, Turman started the 17-6 victory at Kansas State.

## running backs

Ahman Green was too talented to sit out as a redshirt but began his freshman season at the bottom of the depth chart. He didn't become the starter at I-back until the sixth game, and then only because of starter Lawrence Phillips'





Jared Tomich



strength. He just needs to improve his technique to play at Christian's level, according to defensive coordinator Charlie McBride. Among the other tackle candidates are seniors Scott Saltzman and Larry Townsend, and sophomore Jason Wiltz.

## linebackers

Senior Jared Tomich and junior Grant Wistrom are outstanding outside linebackers, as good a combination as he has coached, says assistant Tony Samuel. Tomich, an AP All-American, is tireless in the film room as well as in the weight room.

"Tomich and Wistrom are as high-intensity as we've had there," says McBride. "Those guys are going all the time."

Senior Terrell Farley is a terror at weak-side linebacker. He led the team in tackles (62) and blocked kicks (two) and tied for the lead in interceptions (three, returning two for touchdowns). He also had five sacks and nine tackles for losses, and he started just five games. Senior Jamel Williams takes over on the strong side. Sophomore Jay Foreman, who started on the strong side in '95, was moved to the middle in the spring. With strong reserves, too, the linebacking is solid.

## defensive backs

Going into the Fiesta Bowl game, Florida might have underestimated Nebraska's defensive speed, according to George Darlington, the veteran secondary coach. "They all feel we can't run with them," he says of Cornhusker opponents. "You either get faster to be able to match up or you keep getting beat. We think we can run with

a lot of people." By the time opponents realize that, the fat lady has sung.

Senior Michael Booker, chosen as the outstanding defensive player in the Fiesta Bowl, is the returning starter at one corner, and senior Mike Minter returns at rover. Senior Mike Fullman and junior Leslie Dennis also are experienced cornerbacks. Senior Eric Stokes will settle in at free safety after playing every position in the secondary at one time or another.

## kicking game

Sophomore Kris Brown not only was the first true freshman ever to be Nebraska's No. 1 place-kicker, he also established a school single-season record for points by kicking with 97. He was successful on 13-of-16 field-goal attempts, including 7-of-9 from 30 yards or more. His field goal percentage (.813) was the best in school history. He also handled kickoffs capably.

Junior Jesse Kosch, a walk-on punter whose father, Bill, was a defensive back for Bob Devaney's national championship teams in 1970 and 1971, averaged 40.3 yards. But he punted only 27 times in 10 games during the regular season. Fullman, a transfer from Rutgers and the smallest player on the team, is the No. 1 punt returner. Among Fullman's 21 returns was a 79-yarder for a touchdown against Kansas State. Green and Benning return kickoffs.

## rising star

Sophomore Kenny Cheatham played as a backup split end and returned punts and kickoffs through the first five games of Nebraska's 1995



Aaron Taylor

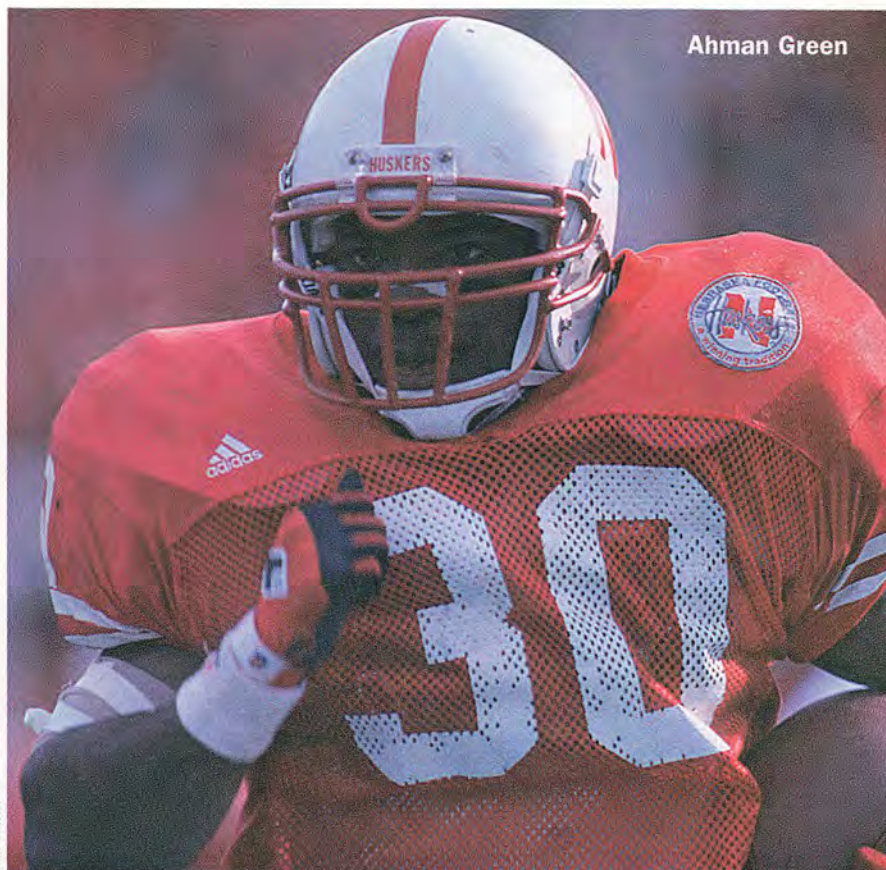
DAVID PRESTON

season before being sidelined by a shoulder injury. Cheatham is an outstanding athlete who has run the 200 meters in 21.40 seconds and the 100 meters in 10.57.

## final analysis

Nebraska must overcome the burden of history and find a quarterback if it is to extend its 25-game winning streak, win the first Big 12 title and earn a third straight national crown. Nebraska owes its championships to combining character and a tremendous work ethic. And those elements appear to be there again.

"We have a lot of very good people," Osborne concedes. "But you never know the chemistry of a team. You never know how that will work out."



Ahman Green

DAVID PRESTON

## ALL-TIME CORNHUSKERS 1890-1995

### Offense

WR	Johnny Rodgers	1970-72
TE	Guy Chamberlin	1914-15
OL	Zach Wiegert	1991-94
OL	Bob Brown	1961-63
OL	Dave Rimington	1979-82
OL	Dean Steinkuhler	1981-83
OL	Will Shields	1989-91
QB	Tommie Frazier	1992-95
RB	Mike Rozier	1981-83
RB	Bobby Reynolds	1950-52
FB	George Sauer	1931-33
K	Dale Klein	1984-86

### Defense

DL	Willie Harper	1970-72
DL	Ed Weir	1923-25
DL	Rich Glover	1970-72
DL	Wayne Meylan	1965-67
LB	Trev Alberts	1990-93
LB	Jerry Murtaugh	1968-70
LB	Tom Novak	1946-49
DB	Barron Miles	1992-94
DB	Larry Wachholtz	1964-66
DB	Pat Fischer	1958-60
DB	Dave Butterfield	1974-76
P	Mike Stigge	1989-92



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# NEBRASKA ROSTER

**1995 Record:** 12-0-0  
**Big 8 Record:** 7-0-0

**Head Coach:**  
Tom Osborne

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	CL.	HOMETOWN
47	Aden, Matt	WLB	6-2	215	Jr.	Omaha, NE
48	Alderman, Dave	LCB	5-10	190	Sr.	Omaha, NE
70	Anderson, Eric	OT	6-4	300	Jr.	Lincoln, NE
96	Antholz, Travis	LB	6-4	220	Fr.	McDonald, KS
81	Arnold, Larry	SLB	6-4	240	Sr.	Copley, OH
55	Baldwin, Matt	C	6-1	270	Fr.	Arvada, CO
87	Bassett, Chris	LB	6-0	230	Jr.	Tracy, MN
24	Benes, Jason	FS	5-11	180	Jr.	Valparaiso, NE
21	Benning, Damon	IB	5-11	210	Sr.	Omaha, NE
17	Blahak, Chad	LCB	5-9	190	Sr.	Lincoln, NE
20	Booker, Michael	LCB	6-2	205	Sr.	Oceanside, CA
38	Brown, Cory	SLB	6-1	230	Fr.	Wakefield, NE
46	Brown, Joe	FB	5-11	210	Fr.	Lincoln, NE
35	Brown, Kris	PK	5-10	200	So.	Southlake, TX
14	Brown, Lance	SE-WB	5-11	190	So.	Papillion, NE
90	Carpenter, Tim	TE	6-3	250	Jr.	Columbus, NE
6	Cheatham, Kenny	SE	6-4	210	So.	Phoenix, AZ
9	Christo, Monte	QB	6-0	195	So.	Kearney, NE
63	Clausen, Jeff	OT	6-6	295	Fr.	Dixon, IL
42	Cobb, Josh	FB	5-11	240	So.	Wallace, NE
2	Dennis, Leslie	RCB	5-8	185	Jr.	Bradenton, FL
75	Dishman, Chris	OG	6-3	310	Sr.	Cozad, NE
22	Eicher, Chad	IB	6-3	220	Jr.	Seward, NE
43	Farley, Terrell	LB	6-1	205	Sr.	Columbus, GA
56	Foreman, Jay	MLB	6-1	225	So.	Eden Prairie, MN
37	Froehlich, Russell	LB	6-0	205	So.	Omaha, NE
7	Frost, Scott	QB	6-3	215	Jr.	Wood River, NE
12	Fullman, Mike	RCB	5-7	170	Sr.	Roselle, NJ
53	Fulton, Lonnie	OG	6-5	254	Fr.	Grand Island, NE
85	Gard, Sean	RR	5-11	215	Jr.	Omaha, NE
72	Gessford, Ben	OT	6-2	280	So.	Lincoln, NE
30	Green, Ahman	IB	6-0	210	So.	Omaha, NE
86	Gumm, Trent	RB	6-2	225	So.	Columbus, NE
80	Haafvic, Billy	SE	5-11	185	So.	So. Sioux City, NE
54	Havlic, Aaron	C	6-3	270	Fr.	Osceola, NE
82	Held, Ryan	SE	6-2	185	Jr.	Overland Park, KS
59	Heskew, Josh	C	6-3	280	Jr.	Yukon, OK
44	Hesse, Jon	MLB	6-4	250	Sr.	Lincoln, NE
49	Hogrefe, Quint	MLB	5-11	210	So.	Auburn, NE
5	Holbein, Brendan	SE	5-9	190	Sr.	Cozad, NE
66	Horst, Joe	OG	6-1	270	Jr.	Wood River, NE
62	Hoskinson, Matt	OG	6-1	280	Jr.	Battle Creek, NE
53	Hunting, Matt	WLB	6-3	220	Jr.	Cozad, NE
88	Jackson, Sheldon	TE	6-4	250	So.	Diamond Bar, CA
34	Jackson, Vershan	TE	6-0	245	Jr.	Omaha, NE
62	Johnson, Marcus	OG	6-4	285	Fr.	Oceanside, CA
69	Julch, Adam	OT	6-5	320	Fr.	Omaha, NE
57	Kelsay, Chad	DE	6-3	230	So.	Auburn, NE
19	Kosch, Jesse	P	6-0	185	Jr.	Columbus, NE
23	Lafleur, Bill	P	5-11	200	So.	Norfolk, NE
89	Lake, Jeff	SE	6-4	205	Jr.	Columbus, NE

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	CL.	HOMETOWN
58	Langan, Troy	C	6-1	250	Sr.	Columbus, NE
40	Legate, Billy	FB	5-11	215	So.	Egin, NE
1	London, Frankie	QB	6-0	170	Fr.	Lake Charles, LA
45	Makovicka, Joel	FB	5-11	230	So.	Brainard, NE
4	McFarlin, Octavious	ROV	5-11	190	Jr.	Bastrop, TX
78	Mikos, Kory	OT	6-5	295	Sr.	Seward, NE
83	Miller, Bryce	LR	6-5	220	Sr.	Elmwood, NE
10	Minter, Mike	ROV	5-10	190	Sr.	Lawton, OK
97	Nelson, Erik	DT	6-3	270	So.	Iowa City, IA
97	Ogard, Jeff	DT	6-6	300	Sr.	St. Paul, NE
41	Ortiz, Tony	LB	6-0	205	Fr.	Waterbury, CT
18	Perino, Jeff	QB	6-2	195	Fr.	Durango, CO
95	Peter, Jason	DT	6-4	285	Jr.	Locust, NJ
26	Peterson, Jerome	RCB	5-7	185	Fr.	Port Allen, LA
73	Pollack, Fred	OT	6-4	305	Jr.	Omaha, NE
27	Raymond, Steve	IB	6-0	200	Fr.	Gering, NE
13	Retzlaff, Ted	PK	6-0	190	Jr.	Waverly, NE
39	Roberts, Mike	ROV	6-1	185	Sr.	Omaha, NE
86	Roy, Derrick	TE	6-3	230	So.	Inglewood, CA
84	Rucker, Mike	DE	6-6	250	So.	St. Joseph, MO
74	Saltsman, Scott	DT	6-2	270	Jr.	Wichita Falls, TX
28	Schuster, Brian	FB	5-11	225	Fr.	Fullerton, NE
65	Schwab, Jason	OG	6-1	295	Fr.	Eagan, MN
50	Seaman, Doug	C	6-1	280	Jr.	Bellevue, NE
15	Sears, Kareem	MLB	6-2	245	Fr.	Enid, OK
68	Sherman, James	OG	6-2	305	Fr.	LaVerne, CA
31	Sims, James	IB	6-1	215	Jr.	Omaha, NE
36	Skoda, Adam	MLB	6-1	230	So.	Lincoln, NE
16	Stokes, Eric	FS	5-11	185	Sr.	Lincoln, NE
67	Tansey, Jim	OL	6-2	300	Fr.	Cranford, NJ
91	Taylor, Aaron	C	6-1	305	Jr.	Wichita Falls, TX
92	Terwilliger, Ryan	LB	6-5	225	Sr.	Grant, NE
92	Toline, Travis	DE	6-3	235	So.	Wahoon, NE
93	Tomich, Jared	DE	6-2	260	Sr.	St. John, IN
94	Townsend, Larry	DT	6-4	300	Sr.	San Jose, CA
77	Treu, Adam	OT	6-6	300	Sr.	Lincoln, NE
11	Turman, Matt	QB	5-11	185	Sr.	Wahoon, NE
71	Van Cleave, Mike	OG	6-2	285	Jr.	Huffman, TX
25	Vedral, Jon	WB	5-11	205	Sr.	Gregory, SD
51	Vzral, Matt	C	6-1	300	Sr.	Grand Island, NE
61	Wade, Brandt	OG	6-2	300	So.	Springfield, NE
32	Walther, Eric	FS	6-0	175	So.	Junata, NE
3	Warfield, Eric	FB	6-0	195	Jr.	Texarkana, AR
3	Washington, Riley	SE	5-9	165	Sr.	Chula Vista, CA
33	Wieting, Sean	WB	5-9	190	Jr.	Palmatin, FL
29	Wiggins, Shevin	WB	5-11	180	Jr.	Palmetto, FL
28	Williams, Jamel	LB	6-2	205	Sr.	Merrillville, IN
99	Wiltz, Jason	DT	6-3	295	So.	New Orleans, LA
98	Wistrom, Grant	DE	6-5	250	Jr.	Webb City, MO
82	Zahl, Brendan	RR	6-3	235	Jr.	Stratton, NE
64	Zatechka, Jon	OG	6-2	290	Jr.	Lincoln, NE

## 1996 SIGNEES

**NAME** **POS.** **HT.** **WT.** **HOMETOWN**  
**Alexander, Dan** **FB-LB** **6-1** **230** **Wentzville, MO**  
Rushed for 1,526 yds and 18 TDs as a senior; all-conference; all-district; all-metro; all-state; SuperPrep and BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American.

**Becvarovski, Sasho** **OL** **6-5** **255** **Crown Point, IN**  
All-state; SuperPrep and BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American.

**Brown, Mike** **DB** **6-0** **190** **Scottsdale, AZ**  
The No. 1 prospect at defensive back by SuperPrep; Arizona 4A Player of the Year; Brown rushed for 2,023 yds and 31 TDs last year.

**Brown, Ralph, II** **DB** **5-11** **175** **Walnut, CA**  
Parade and SuperPrep All-American; had 57 tackles and six interceptions last fall.

**Edwards, J.R.** **WR** **6-2** **175** **Lincoln, NE**  
SuperPrep and BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American; caught 54 passes for 814 yds. last year.

**Evans, DeAngelo** **RB** **5-9** **210** **Wichita, KS**  
SuperPrep and BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American; career rushing total of 8,473 yds., achieved in 47 games, ranks fourth all-time nationally; also credited with 131 TDs.

**Ferrell, Justin** **OL** **6-4** **290** **McAllen, TX**  
All-state; all-district, all-valley, all-area, all-Southwest; SuperPrep All-American.

**Finley, Clint** **QB** **6-1** **190** **Cuero, TX**  
SuperPrep and BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American; all-state; rushed for 834 yds. and passed for 1,789 yds. and 20 TDs last year.

**Gibson, John** **DB** **6-0** **185** **Papillion, NE**  
USA Today Player of the Year in Nebraska; SuperPrep All-American; as a senior, was credited with 58 solo tackles, six ints. and four fumbles recoveries.

**Guidry, George** **DE** **6-3** **225** **Lake Charles, LA**  
BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American; SuperPrep All-Southwest; recorded 42 tackles last fall.

**Hochstein, Russ** **OL** **6-4** **240** **Hartington, NE**  
Lincoln Journal-Star Super-State; Omaha World-Herald All-Nebraska; BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American.

**Kaiser, Loran** **LB-DE** **6-5** **220** **Farwell, NE**  
Rushed for 471 yds. and four TDs in 1995; accounted for 130 tackles, including 83 assisted stops, last fall.

**Miller, Willie** **FB** **6-1** **225** **Omaha, NE**  
SuperPrep All-American; Lincoln Journal-Star Super-State; Omaha World-Herald All-Nebraska, as a senior, rushed for a school-record 1,527 yds. and 18 TDs.

**Polk, Carlos** **LB** **6-2** **220** **Rockford, IL**  
USA Today All-American; credited with 453 career tackles.

**Pollard, Robert** **RB-DB** **6-2** **205** **Orange Park, FL**  
Parade and SuperPrep All-American; tallied nearly 1,000 yds. rushing and over 2,000 yds. in total offense last fall.

**Reynolds, Khari** **WR-DB** **5-11** **170** **Mays Landing, NJ**  
BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American; All-South Jersey; All-Cape League.

**Warren, Steve** **DL** **6-3** **275** **Springfield, MO**  
All-state; Midlands Defensive Player of the Year; racked up 165 tackles last season.

**Webber, David** **OL-DL** **6-3** **275** **St. Louis, MO**  
All-state; all-metro, all-conference; BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American; recorded 65 tackles in 1995.

## DEPTH CHART

### OFFENSE (5)

**SE** 5 **Brendan Holbein (Sr., 3)**; 14 Lance Brown (So., 1)  
**LT** 77 Adam Treu (Sr., 2); 73 Fred Pollack (Jr., 2)  
**LG** 75 **Chris Dishman (Sr., 3)**; 68 James Sherman (Fr., 0)  
**C** 67 **Aaron Taylor (Jr., 2)**; 51 Matt Vzral (Sr., 2)  
**RG** 64 Jon Zatechka (Jr., 2); 62 Matt Hoskinson (Jr., 1)  
**RT** 70 **Eric Anderson (Jr., 2)**; 78 Kory Mikos (Sr., 2)  
**TE** 90 Tim Carpenter (Jr., 2); 88 Sheldon Jackson (So., 1)  
**QB** 7 Scott Frost (Jr., 0); 11 Matt Turman (Sr., 2)  
**FB** 28 Brian Schuster (Sr., 2); 45 Joel Makovicka (So., 1)  
**IB** 30 **Ahman Green (So., 1)**; 21 Damon Benning (Sr., 3)  
**WB** 25 Jon Vedral (Sr., 2); 33 Sean Wieting (Jr., 0)  
**PK** 35 **Kris Brown (So., 1)**

### DEFENSE (7)

**LR** 93 **Jared Tomich (Sr., 2)**; 57 Chad Kelsay (So., 1)  
**DT** 97 Jeff Ogard (Sr., 2); 74 Scott Saltsman (Sr., 2)  
**DT** 95 **Jason Peter (Jr., 2)**; 99 Jason Wiltz (So., 0)  
**RR** 98 **Grant Wistrom (Jr., 2)**; 84 Mike Rucker (So., 1)  
**SLB** 28 Jamel Williams (Sr., 2); 41 Tony Ortiz (Fr., 0)  
**MLB** 56 **Jay Foreman (So., 1)**; 44 Jon Hesse (Sr., 2)  
**WLB** 43 **Terrell Farley (Sr., 1)**; 91 Ryan Terwilliger (Sr., 3)  
**LCB** 20 **Michael Booker (Sr., 2)**; 17 Chad Blahak (Sr., 1);  
**RCB** 12 Mike Fullman (Sr., 1); 2 Leslie Dennis (Jr., 2)  
**ROV** 10 **Mike Minter (Sr., 3)**; 4 Octavious McFarlin (Jr., 2)  
**FS** 16 Eric Stokes (Sr., 3); 3 Eric Warfield (Jr., 1)  
**P** 19 **Jesse Kosch (Jr., 1)**

## TOP RETURNING LEADERS

**Passing:** Matt Turman, 4-12-73-2, 1 TDs  
**Rushing:** Ahman Green, 1086 yds., 13 TDs  
**Receiving:** Jon Vedral, 14 rec., 272 yds., 5 TDs  
**Scoring:** Kris Brown, 13 FGs, 58 XP, 97 points  
**Punting:** Jesse Kosch, 27 punts, 40.3 avg.  
**Kicking:** Kris Brown, 13-16 FGs, 58-61 XP  
**Tackles:** Terrell Farley, 62, 27 solo  
**Sacks:** Jared Tomich, 12  
**Interceptions:** Terrell Farley, 3 for 92 yds, 2 TDs

## 1996 SCHEDULE

Sept 7 Michigan State  
Sept. 21 at Arizona State  
Sept. 28 Colorado State  
Oct. 5 at Kansas State  
Oct. 12 Baylor  
Oct. 19 at Texas Tech  
Oct. 26 Kansas  
Nov. 2 at Oklahoma  
Nov. 9 Missouri  
Nov. 16 at Iowa State  
Nov. 29 Colorado

(#) indicates number of returning starters  
BOLD indicates returning starters  
Number after class indicates letters won

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**B**ut for some serious breakdowns in execution, Baylor might have at least shared the Southwest Conference championship in the league's final season. A pair of non-conference losses featured similar malfunctions.

As a result, "We need to be more consistent in offensive execution," coach Chuck Reedy says of his fourth Baylor team. And the Bears will have to rebuild a defense that ranked fifth nationally last season.

The team's commitment is unquestioned. The players went through demanding, early-morning off-season workouts in preparation for spring practice. And football enthusiasm is high in Waco as the first Big 12 Conference season



Pearce Pegross

approaches. Baylor set an all-time home attendance record last season.

## quarterbacks

Junior Jeff Watson, the returning starter, was inconsistent last season, which is why Jermaine Alfred started two games as a freshman. Watson completed 113 of 214 passes for 1,508 yards and five touchdowns, with six interceptions.

Alfred produced a 56-yard touchdown pass on the first play from scrimmage in his first start, against SMU, and is considered to be the best passer among Baylor's quarterbacks.

Incoming freshman Odell James was regarded as one of the nation's best high school option quarterbacks. He amassed nearly 6,000 yards of total offense and accounted for 78 touchdowns, including 54 rushing, during a three-year career at Aldine (Texas) MacArthur High.

## running backs

The Big 12 will have several outstanding running backs, among them Baylor's Jerod Douglas. The junior tailback rushed for 1,114 yards as a sophomore, the second-best single-season total in school history. Douglas shattered the

school record for all-purpose yardage with 1,594 and earned all-conference honors both as a running back and kick returner. Junior Anthony Overstreet and sophomore Dexter Ford are experienced backups.

Senior Shawn Washington is the returning starter at fullback with Clifton Rubin, a highly regarded junior who was hampered by injuries last season, in reserve.

## receivers

Senior Kalief Muhammad moved from tailback to wide receiver last season and led the Bears in pass receptions with 37 for 542 yards and two touchdowns. He also carried 30 times for 203 yards and a touchdown.

"We're always looking for ways to get the ball to Kalief," says Reedy.

Junior split end Pearce Pegross had 31 catches for a team-high 582 yards and three scores.

The top tight ends are junior Bradley Domel, who started all 11 games, and sophomore Clifford Isom. Domel and Isom caught one pass apiece last season, but the Bears plan to begin throwing more to their tight ends.

## offensive linemen

Douglas' chances of duplicating his 1995 rushing success will be enhanced by a line built around senior David Davis, a three-year starter at tackle, junior tackle Michael Johnson and sophomore guard Anthony Williams, the Bears' best lineman, who was moved from the defensive line as a freshman and started seven games.

Sophomore guard Kelvin Garmon made his move to claim starting status in the spring. Junior Danny Fletcher, a converted tight end, and redshirt freshman Brian Sutton are listed 1-2 at center.

The Bears should be solid in the offensive interior. "From an athletic standpoint, this will probably be the best group we've had," says Reedy, who has high standards. "We're not like Nebraska, where you have to be in your third, fourth or fifth year to start on the offensive line. But we're getting better."

## defensive linemen

Baylor ranked fifth in total defense and ninth in scoring defense last season. The Bears were strong enough defensively, in fact, that they won the Texas Tech game without scoring a touchdown (9-7), the first time a Baylor team had done that since 1977. But several key players must be replaced.

Junior Roderick Kinney picks up where he left off at nose tackle. Sophomore Derrick Fletcher has backup experience, and redshirt freshman James Calvin was moved from fullback to provide depth. Calvin has gained 42 pounds since arriving at Baylor and now weighs 287.

Senior Donnie Embra and junior Sheldon Mallory were reserve ends last season. Embra had 41 tackles and three sacks while Mallory





Kalief Muhammad



had 31 tackles playing behind All-SWC performer Daryl Gardener. Redshirt freshmen Dwight Johnson and Justin Snow are among the young players looking to earn playing time at end.

## linebackers

Junior Dean Jackson returns in the middle. He was second on the team in tackles with 82 and also intercepted three passes. He will be backed up by junior Jody Littleton and redshirt freshman Charles Foster.

Junior Glenn Coy takes over at bandit linebacker with senior Malcolm Hamilton, a former fullback and tight end, in reserve.

Senior Robert Mason and junior Anthony Taylor (a converted safety) are on top of the depth chart at weak-side linebacker, and sophomores Clarence Cruse and Kenyada Parker are the top candidates on the strong side.

## defensive backs

Two senior starters return in the secondary: cornerback George McCullough and strong safety Michael Benjamin. McCullough, whom Reedy calls an "outstanding" player, broke up 14 passes and intercepted one last season. Benjamin started all 11 games at free safety but was moved to strong safety in the spring, allowing sophomore Nikia Codie to move up at free safety. Codie, who started two games at strong safety as a true freshman two years ago, was ineligible last season.

Sophomore Curtis Henderson was moved from free safety, where he backed up Benjamin, to cornerback during the spring "to get our best four players on the field," Reedy says.

The secondary offers plenty of opportunity for incoming freshmen Robert Neal, Darwin Scott, Tyson Wilson and Joe Walker, and Garden City (Kan.) Community College transfer Rodney Artmore. In addition, several young players who have been in the program, including sophomores Ahmad Washington, Matt Anderson and Greg Steele and redshirt freshman Sean Armistead, will have a chance to play.

## kicking game

Senior Ty Atteberry has been the No. 1 punter for two years. He averaged 38.1 yards per punt last season and also has handled kickoffs. His brother Kyle Atteberry, a redshirt freshman, competed with sophomore Bryan Hawkins for the No. 1 placekicking job during the spring.

The Bears have experienced kick returners in Douglas, Pegross and Muhammad. Douglas was the No. 1 kickoff returner last season, averaging 33.3 yards on 12 returns.

## rising star

Derrick Fletcher could rise to stardom at nose tackle if his weight allows him to do so. The 6-7 sophomore from Aldine, Texas, weighed in at 360 pounds when practice began this spring. Fletcher played in all 11 games as a backup last season, making 34 tackles, 16 of them unassisted.

## final analysis

Baylor is probably a year away from being a serious contender in the Southern Division of the Big 12. James, the quarterback of the future, would have an added year of maturity, even if he



Michael Benjamin

were to sit out as a redshirt. He has the skills to run a Nebraska-type option offense, which Reedy would like his team to be able to do. (The Cornhuskers aggressively recruited James as a successor to Tommie Frazier, in fact.)

The Bears likely will start only a half-dozen or so seniors this season, with the talented Douglas among the underclassmen. Baylor will need to get more consistent play at quarterback in order to be successful on offense. And Reedy will have to rebuild a defense with players who, for the most part, are inexperienced.

The Bears do have a favorable non-conference and interdivisional schedule, playing Iowa State, Missouri and, oh yes, at Nebraska. Two out of three ain't bad.



Roderick Kinney

## ALL-TIME BEARS 1899-1995

### Offense

WR	Gerald McNeil	1980-83
WR	Lawrence Elkins	1962-64
OL	Jim Ray Smith	1952-54
OL	Aubrey Schulz	1973-74
OL	Mark Adickes	1979, 81-83
OL	Bill Glass	1954-56
OL	David Leaks	1991-93
QB	Don Trull	1961-63
RB	Walter Abercrombie	1978-81
RB	Del Shofner	1954-56
RB	Ronnie Bull	1959-61
K	Jeff Ireland	1988-91

### Defense

DL	Ervin Randle	1981-84
DL	Santana Dotson	1988-91
DL	Barton "Botchey" Koch	1928-30
DL	Albert Fontenot	1991-92
LB	Mike Singletary	1977-80
LB	James Francis	1986-89
LB	Derrel Luce	1972-74
DB	Ray Crockett	1985-88
DB	Thomas Everett	1983-86
DB	Vann McElroy	1978-81
DB	Gary Green	1973-76
P	Buzzy Sawyer	1983-85



# BAYLOR ROSTER

**1995 Record:**  
**SWC Record:**

7-4-0  
5-2-0

**Head Coach:**  
**Chuck Reedy**

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	CL.	HOMETOWN	NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	CL.	HOMETOWN
17	Alfred, Jermaine	QB	6-1	215	So.	Baytown, TX	68	Jackson, Jerome	OG	6-3	297	Jr.	Irving, TX
15	Anderson, Matt	CB	5-10	176	So.	Garland, TX	2	Jackson, Robert	FB	5-10	259	Fr.	Houston, TX
9	Anderson, Morris	WR	6-1	180	So.	Tyler, TX	29	Jatzlau, Bill	TB	5-11	194	Fr.	Katy, TX
21	Armistead, Sean	CB	5-9	174	Fr.	Alief, TX	82	Johnson, Dwight	DE	6-4	266	Fr.	Waco, TX
88	Arroyo, Don	LB	6-3	230	Fr.	Cuero, TX	69	Johnson, Michael	OT	6-3	305	Jr.	Katy, TX
33	Atteberry, Kyle	PK-P	6-0	193	Fr.	Kingwood, TX	12	Kent, Derrick	WR	5-10	186	So.	Houston, TX
43	Atteberry, Ty	PK-P	6-0	196	Sr.	Kingwood, TX	61	Kinney, Roderick	NT	6-3	285	Jr.	Sugar Land, TX
56	Augustine, Dan	LB	6-2	201	Fr.	El Paso, TX	40	Littleton, Jody	C-LB	6-0	232	Jr.	Brighton, CO
17	Banks, Cornelius	LB	6-3	224	So.	Sugar Land, TX	96	Mallory, Sheldon	DE	6-3	274	Jr.	Amarillo, TX
33	Benjamin, Michael	SS	6-0	194	Sr.	DeSoto, TX	3	Mason, Robert	LB	6-1	222	Sr.	Houston, TX
3	Black, Tommie	QB	6-0	209	Fr.	Kaufman, TX	5	McCullough, George	CB	5-10	188	Sr.	Galveston, TX
25	Bonds, Brandon	FS	5-10	184	Fr.	Corpus Christi, TX	13	McFarling, Brent	K	5-11	188	So.	Austin, TX
52	Brown, Matt	LB	6-2	216	Fr.	Arlington, TX	73	McRae, Larry	OT	6-5	276	Fr.	Angleton, TX
42	Butler, Zach	LB	6-2	236	So.	Austin, TX	10	Moore, Lamont	SE	5-11	199	Sr.	Waxahachie, TX
26	Cagnolatti, Chris	SE	5-7	157	Jr.	Chino Hills, CA	1	Muhammad, Kalief	WR	5-6	175	Sr.	Alief, TX
	Calvin, James	NT	6-1	287	Fr.	Keller, TX	42	Newberry, Brian	SS	6-3	205	Sr.	Moore, OK
83	Chmelar, Chad	TE	6-4	223	So.	Caldwell, TX	27	Overstreet, Anthony	TB	6-0	210	Jr.	Tatum, Texas
7	Codie, Nikia	FS	6-3	204	So.	Cleburne, TX	19	Pace, Allen	SE	5-10	166	Fr.	Brownsboro, TX
20	Cogdill, Mark	QB	6-1	176	Fr.	Houston, TX	37	Parker, Kenyada	LB	6-2	207	So.	Sugar Land, TX
14	Cook, Danny	WR	6-0	190	Fr.	Waco, TX	11	Pegross, Pearce	SE	5-9	170	Jr.	Port Arthur, TX
58	Coy, Glenn	LB	6-3	248	Jr.	Kaufman, TX	67	Pierpoint, Brandon	OT	6-5	275	Fr.	Austin, TX
20	Cruse, Clarence	LB	6-3	226	So.	Houston, TX	76	Rocha, Carlos	OT	6-3	291	Fr.	Katy, TX
79	Davis, David	OT	6-4	308	Sr.	Dallas, TX	31	Rubin, Clifton	FB	6-0	218	Jr.	Welsh, LA
18	Dennard, Brandon	SE	6-1	170	Fr.	Duncanville, TX	55	Sampy, Chris	OG	6-1	271	So.	Houston, TX
80	Domel, Bradley	TE	6-4	233	Jr.	Needville, TX	86	Simpkins, Garner	WR	5-9	176	So.	Kewanee, IL
22	Douglas, Jerod	TB	5-9	173	Jr.	Converse, TX	14	Smith, Rodney	QB	6-0	204	Fr.	Waco, TX
78	Draper, Curtis	OT	6-4	350	Sr.	Lubbock, TX	83	Snow, Justin	DE	6-3	242	Fr.	Abilene, TX
95	Embra, Donnie	DE	6-2	295	Sr.	Alief, TX	2	Steele, Greg	CB	5-10	185	So.	Temple, TX
53	Fletcher, Danny	C	6-4	247	Jr.	Plano, TX		Summers, Toby	C	6-2	255	Fr.	Jersey Village, TX
99	Fletcher, Derrick	NT	6-7	360	So.	Aldine, TX	74	Sutton, Brian	C	6-4	259	Fr.	Fort Worth, TX
8	Ford, Dexter	TB	5-11	212	So.	Dallas, TX	16	Taylor, Anthony	LB	6-0	191	Jr.	Austin, TX
48	Foster, Charles	LB	6-1	219	Fr.	Waco, TX	5	Thompson, Derrius	WR	6-2	203	So.	Cedar Hill, TX
59	Garmon, Kelvin	OG	6-2	293	So.	Haltom, TX	15	Vandergriff, Van	SE	6-1	168	So.	Orlando, FL
34	Hamilton, Malcolm	LB	6-2	231	Sr.	Odessa, TX	28	Washington, Ahmad	CB	5-9	182	So.	Houston, TX
25	Hawkins, Bryan	K	5-9	168	So.	Waco, TX	48	Washington, Shawn	FB	6-1	230	Sr.	Waco, TX
46	Henderson, Curtis	CB	5-10	196	So.	Humble, TX	7	Watson, Jeff	QB	6-0	216	Jr.	College Station, TX
85	Isom, Clifford	TE	6-4	241	So.	Beaumont, TX	87	Wenke, Josh	DE	6-3	265	Sr.	La Feria, TX
36	Jackson, Dean	LB	6-1	222	Jr.	Groveton, TX	57	Williams, Anthony	OG	6-3	267	So.	Houston, TX

## 1996 SIGNEES

NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	HOMETOWN
Artmore, Rodney	DB	6-1	207	Galveston, TX
Played last fall for Garden City CC.				
Bowie, McKinley	LB	6-2	230	Aldine, TX
Lubbock Avalanche Journal Fabulous 44; Dallas Morning News Top 100; Houston Chronicle State Top 100.				
Brooks, Eddrick	LB	6-4	235	Aldine, TX
Lubbock Morning News State Top 100; Fort Worth Star-Telegram National and State Top 100; Lubbock Avalanche Journal Fabulous 44.				
Brown, Damion	LB	6-1	240	Waco, TX
Lubbock Avalanche Journal State Top 100; Super CenTex Team by Waco Tribune Herald.				
Burkins, Elijah	RB	5-8	186	Port Arthur, TX
Parade All-American; Dallas Morning News National and State Top 100; Lubbock Avalanche Journal Fabulous 44; Houston Chronicle State Top 100; rushed for 1,866 yds. and 29 TDs in just 10 games as a senior.				
Bush, Darrell	TB	5-10	180	Jersey Village, TX
Parade All-American; Dallas Morning News National and State Top 100; Houston Chronicle State Top 100; finalist for Houston Offensive Player of the Year; rushed for 2,124 yds. and 21 TDs as a senior.				
Byrd, John	DE	6-5	250	Houston, TX
San Antonio Express-News State Super 60; defensive MVP in District 22-4A as a senior.				
Clay, Eric	LB	6-2	240	Houston, TX
All-state; Dallas Morning News State Top 100; Waco Tribune-Herald State Top 100.				
Cotton, Ellis	DE	6-4	295	Sherman, TX
Waco Tribune-Herald State Top 50 pick; Dallas Morning News State Top 100; Houston Chronicle State Top 100; amassed 68 tackles, three sacks and four tackles for losses as a senior.				
Gardner, Melvin	DE	6-4	230	Rockdale, TX
As a senior, recorded 45 solo tackles; Defensive MVP of District 26-3A.				
Hill, Leonard	LB	6-4	210	Galveston, TX
Had 51 unassisted tackles last fall for City College of San Francisco.				
Jackson, Jason	LB	6-1	215	Giddings, TX
Class 3A All-State; Defensive MVP of District 26-3A; Waco Tribune Herald State Top 100; San Antonio Express-News State Top 100.				
Jackson, Quantaa	RB	6-1	215	Wharton, TX
Offensive MVP in District 23-4A; gained 1,498 yds. and scored 136 points in 1995.				
James, Odell	QB	6-4	205	Aldine, TX
SuperPrep All-American; Dallas Morning News Texas Top 100; piled up 5,870 total offensive yds. in three-year career, 3,300 rushing and 2,570 passing.				
Micheaux, Kris	LB	6-2	235	Jersey Village, TX
All-District 16-5A; San Antonio Express-News State Super 60; Houston Chronicle Top 100; senior season notched 122 tackles.				
Morgan, Quincy	WR	6-2	195	Garland, TX
Waco Tribune Herald Top 30; Dallas Morning News Texas Top 100; BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American; had 46 catches for 939 yds. as a senior.				
Neal, Robert	DB	5-9	190	Garland, TX
Dallas Morning News State Top 100; Waco Tribune Herald State Top 30; Fort Worth Star-Telegram State Top 100.				
Pace, Allen	WR	5-9	168	Brownsboro, TX
Sat out last season to gain eligibility after originally signing with Bears in 1995.				
Rogers, Fred	LB	6-2	235	Dallas, TX
Defensive Player of the Year in District 11-4A; Houston Chronicle State Top 100 pick; totalled 450 tackles in four-year career.				
Scott, Darwin	DB	6-0	195	Jasper, TX
All-state; District 19-4A Defensive Player of the Year; Dallas Morning News State Top 100; Houston Chronicle State Top 100.				
Walker, Joe	ATH	5-11	190	Arlington, TX
Lubbock Avalanche Journal Fabulous 44; Dallas Morning News State Top 100; Houston Chronicle State Top 100; as a senior, rushed for 1,236 yds. and 30 TDs.				
Wilson, Tyson	DB	6-0	208	Dallas, TX
Considered the fastest high school football player in Texas in 1995; rushed for 1,000 yds. and 21 TDs as a senior.				

## DEPTH CHART

### OFFENSE (9)

TE	80	Bradley Domel (Jr., 2); 85 Clifford Isom (So., 1)
LT	79	David Davis (Sr., 3); 67 Brandon Pierpoint (Fr., 0)
LG	57	Anthony Williams (So., 1); 55 Chris Sampy (So., 0)
C	53	Danny Fletcher (Jr., 2); 74 Brian Sutton (Fr., 0)
RG	59	Kelvin Garmon (So., 1); 68 Jerome Jackson (Jr., 2)
RT	69	Michael Johnson (Jr., 2); 76 Carlos Rocha (Fr., 0)
QB	7	Jeff Watson (Jr., 2); 17 Jermaine Alfred (So., 1)
TB	48	Shawn Washington (Sr., 3); 31 Clifton Rubin (Jr., 2)
FB	22	Jerod Douglas (Jr., 2); 27 Anthony Overstreet (Jr., 2)
SE	11	Pearce Pegross (Jr., 2); 5 Derrius Thompson (So., 1)
WR	1	Kalief Muhammad (Sr., 3); 26 Chris Cagnolatti (Jr., 0)
PK	33	Kyle Atteberry (Fr., 0)

### DEFENSE (4)

LE	96	Sheldon Mallory (Jr., 2); 82 Dwight Johnson (Fr., 0)
NT	61	Roderick Kinney (Jr., 2); 99 Derrick Fletcher (So., 1)
RE	95	Donnie Embra (Sr., 1); 87 Josh Wenke (Sr., 0)
SLB	20	Clarence Cruse (So., 1); 37 Kenyada Parker (So., 1)
MLB	36	Dean Jackson (Jr., 2); 40 Jody Littleton (Jr., 1)
BLB	58	Glenn Coy (Jr., 2); 34 Malcolm Hamilton (Sr., 2)
WLB	3	Robert Mason (Sr., 2); 16 Anthony Taylor (Jr., 2)
LCB	5	George McCullough (Sr., 3); 28 Ahmad Washington (So., 0)
FS	7	Nikia Codie (So., 1); 25 Brandon Bonds (Fr., 0)
SS	33	Michael Benjamin (Sr., 3); 42 Curtis Henderson (So., 1)
RCB	46	Curtis Henderson (So., 1); 21 Sean Armistead (Fr., 0)
P	43	Ty Atteberry (Sr., 3)

## TOP RETURNING LEADERS

**Passing:** Jeff Watson, 113-214-1508-6, 5 TDs  
**Rushing:** Jerod Douglas, 211 car., 1114 yds., 8 TDs  
**Receiving:** Kalief Muhammad, 37 rec., 542 yds., 2 TDs  
**Scoring:** Jerod Douglas, 8 TDs, 48 points  
**Punting:** Kyle Atteberry, 60 punts, 38.1 avg.  
**Kicking:** None  
**Tackles:** Dean Jackson, 82, 52 solo  
**Sacks:** Donnie Embra, 3.5  
**Interceptions:** Dean Jackson, 3 for 39 yards

## 1996 Schedule

Sept 7	at Louisiana Tech
Sept 14	at Louisville
Sept. 21	Oregon State
Oct. 5	at Texas Tech
Oct. 12	at Nebraska
Oct. 19	Oklahoma
Oct. 26	Iowa State
Nov. 2	at Texas
Nov. 9	Texas A&M
Nov. 16	Missouri
Nov. 23	at Oklahoma State

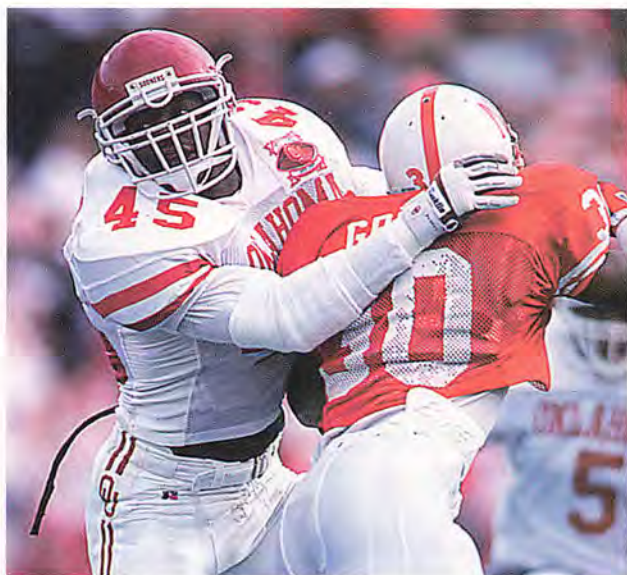
(#) indicates number of returning starters  
**BOLD** indicates returning starters  
 Number after class indicates letters won

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**F**or the second consecutive season, Oklahoma is entering a new era under a new coach in a new conference. The goal is to resurrect the tradition that ended with the departure of Barry Switzer following the 1988 season.

Oklahoma continued to win under Gary Gibbs, Switzer's successor, but not against the opponents that mattered most: Texas, Nebraska and Colorado. Gibbs' combined record against those three was 2-15-1. As a result, he was replaced by Howard Schnellenberger, whose first and only team as Oklahoma coach managed a tie with Texas but suffered lopsided losses to Colorado and Nebraska, as well as being shut out by Nebraska and Oklahoma State.



Tyrell Peters

Exit Schnellenberger after a 5-5-1 season that included a fifth-place tie with Oklahoma State in the conference. Enter John Blake, a former Sooner player and assistant coach, who had been endorsed by Switzer, his boss with the Dallas Cowboys, when Schnellenberger was hired a year ago.

"Nothing means more to me than having this opportunity to get back to the people and the place that's always been there for me," says Blake, who becomes the nation's youngest major college head football coach. He'll probably need Oklahoma fans to be there for him, at least for this season.

## quarterbacks

Quarterback is an area of uncertainty. Sophomore Eric Moore is the returning starter, but he completed only 90-of-200 passes for 1,375 yards and seven touchdowns, with nine interceptions.

The alternative is Justin Fuente, a redshirt freshman who passed for more than 6,000 yards and 68 touchdowns during his career at Tulsa Union High School. Among the first things Blake did after being hired was assure Fuente that the Sooners would commit to an offense in

which he was comfortable. Without such an assurance there was concern that the highly regarded Fuente, who played in a pro-style, no-huddle offense in high school, might transfer.

Blake plans to use a multiple offense, with two backs and play-action passing.

The competition between Moore and Fuente will continue into preseason practice before Blake settles on a starter. "Eric gives you a little more mobility," Blake says. "Fuente throws better and has a stronger arm." Both will be at the mercy of an inexperienced supporting cast.

## running backs

Senior halfback James Allen rushed for only 338 yards, but Blake says, "James is a much better back running out of the I. He doesn't have great speed but he's good at finding holes."

Redshirt freshman DeMond Parker, who has run the 40-yard dash in 4.39, will have an opportunity to step in, as will Bennie Butler, who sat out all of last year after failing to meet NCAA freshman eligibility requirements.

Senior fullback Dwayne Chandler sat out last season while recovering from knee surgery after rushing for a team-high 10 touchdowns as a junior. His return would help offset the loss of Jerald Moore, who opted to bypass his senior season in favor of the NFL draft. Junior Michael Rose was impressive in the spring.

## receivers

Junior tight end Stephen Alexander is the Sooners' only proven receiver. He led the team in receiving with 43 catches for 580 yards and two touchdowns. Sophomore wide-outs Chris Blocker and Gerald Williams, the only other holdovers, had just three catches between them. In spring practice, however, they were rated as starters.

Maurice "Mo" Little transferred from Coffeyville (Kan.) Community College at midyear and went through spring practice. He has good size and speed (4.46 in the 40-yard dash) and should have an immediate impact. Sophomore Seth Smith, who sat out last season after transferring from Michigan, had an outstanding spring and will contend for a starting job in the fall.

## offensive linemen

None of Oklahoma's interior linemen has significant experience. Without question, the biggest concern on offense is the line.

Senior Chris Campbell started one game at guard. Junior Bruce McClure started twice at tackle. McClure was moved back to center (where he began his college career) during the spring. He started the last five games at guard as a redshirt freshman two years ago. Junior Jon Mulac moved up to No. 1 at the other guard during the spring, with sophomore Jay Smith and junior Barry Giles finishing the spring as the top tackles. Senior David Bullard, junior





James Allen



Derrick Nelson and sophomore Tim Macias are among those who should provide depth in an inexperienced line.

There will be plenty of opportunity for incoming freshmen, the most notable of whom is Scott Kempenich from Wagoner, Okla. Kempenich was generally regarded as the best high school lineman in the state. Among the other newcomers who could help immediately is junior college transfer Sammy Williams.

## defensive linemen

Blake, who coached the Dallas Cowboys' defensive line, has three veteran performers up front. Senior left tackle Barron Tanner moved from end and started every game a year ago, finishing fourth on the team in tackles with 56. Seven were for losses totaling 38 yards. Sophomore Kelly Gregg and junior Martin Chase are leading aspirants to start at right tackle.

Senior Roderick Manuel, a converted tight end who started twice at defensive end, heads the list at that position. Manuel was second on the team in sacks with five for 34 yards in losses. Junior Mike Phipps is likely to join Manuel at end.

## linebackers

Middle linebacker Tyrell Peters is the best of Oklahoma's defenders. The All-Big Eight senior was the team's leading tackler with 121, including 72 unassisted and two sacks.

Senior weak-side linebacker Broderick Simpson finished second in tackles with 117. Simpson and Peters played important roles in a defense that ranked second in the conference and ninth

nationally against the run. Junior Travian Smith is an experienced outside linebacker.

Redshirt freshman Chris Justice, a cousin of the Atlanta Braves' David Justice, is among the young players who must step up in Oklahoma's 4-3 defense.

## defensive backs

Senior rover/free safety Anthony Fogle is the most experienced player in the secondary. He started six games at rover and one at free safety last season. Senior Rod Henderson started five games at rover.

Sophomores Terry White and Cedric Stephens are carryovers who probably will start. Ramon Burroughs transferred from Northeastern A&M Junior College at midyear and went through spring practice. He's being counted on to fill the void at one cornerback.

Candidates in the secondary include several redshirt freshmen, among them Clovis Woods, Anthony Davis, Rusty Rushing and Dennis Hubbard. All four are credited with 4.5 or better speed in the 40-yard dash, a requirement in an aggressive 4-3 defense.

## kicking game

Junior Jeremy Alexander led the Big Eight in field-goal kicking, making 11 in a row and 14-of-17 overall.

Sophomore Brian Lewis averaged 40.8 yards on 39 punts to rank third in the conference, but the Sooners went through a six-game stretch during which six were blocked.



Stephen Alexander

DAVID PRESTON

## rising star

Clovis Woods, who had originally committed to Colorado in 1994, prefers to be called "Pee Wee," indicative of his size (5-9, 173). Woods is strong (he bench-presses 350 pounds) and fast (4.4), and could play a major role in Oklahoma's secondary.

## final analysis

Sooner fans will have to be patient. And they probably will be, given the fact that Blake is one of their own.

Oklahoma faces a tough Big 12 schedule, getting Nebraska, Kansas State and Kansas as its inter-divisional opponents. Oklahoma could be hard-pressed to avoid its first losing season since 1965.



Anthony Fogle

DAVID PRESTON

## ALL-TIME SOONERS 1895-1995

### Offense

WR	Eddie Hinton	1966-68
TE	Keith Jackson	1984-87
OL	Jim Weatherall	1948-51
OL	Bill Krisher	1955-57
OL	Jerry Tubbs	1954-56
OL	Greg Roberts	1975-78
OL	Buddy Burris	1946-48
QB	Jack Mildren	1969-71
RB	Billy Vessels	1950-52
RB	Billy Sims	1975-79
RB	Steve Owens	1967-69
K	Tim Lashar	1983-86

### Defense

DL	Waddy Young	1936-38
DL	Tony Casillas	1982-85
DL	Dewey Selmon	1972-75
DL	Lee Roy Selmon	1972-75
LB	Rod Shoate	1972-74
LB	Brian Bosworth	1984-86
LB	Daryl Hunt	1975-78
DB	Rickey Dixon	1984-87
DB	Darrell Royal	1946-49
DB	Zac Henderson	1974-77
DB	Claude Reeds	1910-13
P	Jack Jacobs	1939-41



# OKLAHOMA ROSTER

**1995 Record:** 5-5-1  
**Big 8 Record:** 2-5-0

**Head Coach:**  
John Blake

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	CL.	HOMETOWN
15	Alexander, Jeremy	PK	5-10	186	Jr.	Claremore, OK
80	Alexander, Stephen	TE	6-4	232	Jr.	Chickasha, OK
84	Allen, Dale	LB	6-2	208	So.	Wynnewood, OK
25	Allen, James	HB	5-10	209	Sr.	Wynnewood, OK
78	Allen, Ryan	DL	6-4	252	Fr.	Enid, OK
90	Anderson, Matt	TE	6-4	230	Fr.	Moore, OK
74	Baker, C.B.	DE	6-4	290	Fr.	The Woodlands, TX
99	Baker, Carlos	DE	6-3	262	So.	Frederick, OK
2	Barber, John	QB	6-2	219	Fr.	Mayfield, KY
83	Barnes, Todd	WR	5-11	193	Fr.	Edmond, OK
31	Berg, Brandon	DB	6-2	195	Fr.	Abilene, TX
24	Blocker, Chris	FL	6-1	209	So.	Houston, TX
57	Bookout, Casey	LB	6-3	250	Fr.	Stroud, OK
96	Brown, Shaq	DL	6-6	270	Jr.	Houston, TX
3	Brown, Terence	WR	6-1	199	Sr.	Fort Bend, TX
50	Bullard, David	OT	6-4	301	Sr.	Tishomingo, OK
21	Burroughs, Ramon	CB	6-1	170	Jr.	Muskogee, OK
87	Burton, Cornelius	DL	6-6	250	Fr.	Houston, TX
34	Butler, Bennie	HB	6-0	195	So.	Del City, OK
66	Campbell, Chris	OL	6-3	302	Sr.	Chicago, IL
68	Carpenter, Adam	OL	6-3	275	Fr.	Pilot Point, TX
32	Chandler, Dwayne	FB	5-11	234	Sr.	Aberdeen, MS
93	Chase, Martin	DT	6-2	282	Jr.	Lawton, OK
62	Clark, Ricky	OL	6-2	288	Fr.	Abilene, TX
8	Daniels, Brandon	RB	6-0	180	Fr.	Ada, OK
42	Davis, Anthony	SS	5-11	206	Fr.	El Reno, OK
14	Davis, Cornelius	DB	6-0	195	Jr.	Oklahoma City, OK
29	Dorsey, Derek	DB	5-11	180	Fr.	Cedar Hill, TX
30	Fazande, Jermaine	FB	6-0	244	So.	Marrero, LA
75	Fisher, Ryan	DL	6-3	275	Fr.	Arlington, TX
9	Fogle, Anthony	FS	5-11	196	Sr.	Houston, TX
86	Freeman, Jason	TE	6-3	232	So.	Muskogee, OK
12	Fuente, Justin	QB	6-2	225	Fr.	Tulsa, OK
70	Giles, Barry	OL	6-5	291	Jr.	Healdton, OK
53	Goodwin, Fred III	OL	6-2	271	Fr.	Norman, OK
97	Gregg, Kelly	DT	6-0	267	So.	Edmond, OK
17	Henderson, Rod	SS	6-1	193	Sr.	Conroe, TX
23	Hubbard, Dennis	DB	5-9	175	Fr.	Detroit, MI
43	Ivy, Corey	LB	6-1	229	Jr.	Crane, TX
60	Jackson, Cornelius	OL	6-5	258	Fr.	Miami, FL
81	Jackson, Jarrair	FL	5-8	176	Fr.	Houston, TX
28	Joseph, Gana	CB	6-0	198	So.	Miami, FL
46	Justice, Chris	LB	6-0	221	Fr.	Austin, TX
72	Kempnich, Scott	OL	6-7	285	Fr.	Wagoner, OK

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82	Lewis, Brian	P	6-2	220	So.	St. George, UT
18	Little, Maurice	WR	6-3	210	Jr.	Tuscaloosa, AL
56	Luckey, Stirling	DE	6-3	236	Sr.	Harvey, IL
77	Macias, Tim	OL	6-2	259	So.	Oklahoma City, OK
49	Malone, Terrance	ILB	6-2	220	So.	Everman, TX
85	Manuel, Roderick	DE	6-5	265	Sr.	Fort Worth, TX
73	McClure, Bruce	OL	6-5	269	Jr.	Tahlequah, OK
1	Moore, Eric	QB	6-0	176	So.	Dallas, TX
94	Moyer, Greg	DE	6-2	250	So.	Stillwater, OK
64	Mulac, Jon	OL	6-3	272	Jr.	Kansas City, MO
67	Nelson, Derrick	OL	6-2	290	Jr.	Houston, TX
38	Newton, Jason	FB	6-4	216	Fr.	Eufala, OK
44	Ousley, Scott	LB	6-2	236	Fr.	Seminole, OK
33	Parker, DeMond	HB	5-10	170	Fr.	Tulsa, OK
45	Peters, Tyrell	LB	6-0	223	Sr.	Norman, OK
91	Phipps, Mike	DE	6-2	263	Jr.	Humble, TX
92	Pierce, Ed IV	OLB	6-2	208	Fr.	Tulsa, OK
37	Ridley, Steven	DB	6-3	210	Jr.	Plainview, TX
47	Rideau, Rodney	DB	6-0	175	Fr.	Midwest City, OK
54	Roegiers, Sebastian	DE	6-1	223	Jr.	Tulsa, OK
20	Rose, Michael	FB	5-10	228	Jr.	Abilene, TX
27	Rosenberg, Collin	LB	6-2	230	Sr.	Yukon, OK
26	Rowe, David	SS	5-10	197	So.	Austin, TX
16	Rushing, Rusty	FS	6-0	183	Fr.	Owasso, OK
55	Simmons, Abel	OL	6-0	279	Jr.	Beaufort, SC
51	Simpson, Broderick	OLB	6-1	213	Sr.	Dallas, TX
71	Smith, Jay	OL	6-3	280	So.	Arlington, TX
5	Smith, Seth	WR	5-11	176	So.	Murphysboro, IL
36	Smith, Travian	OLB	6-4	225	Jr.	Tatum, TX
7	Stephens, Cedric	DB	5-9	173	So.	Dallas, TX
11	Stuckey, Jay	QB	6-0	164	Fr.	Manfield, TX
76	Tanner, Baron	DT	6-3	303	Sr.	Athens, TX
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35	Vardeman, Ryan	LB	5-9	249	Sr.	Claremore, OK
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87	Webster, Kevin	TE	6-7	202	Fr.	Noble, OK
13	White, Terry	SS	5-10	186	So.	Houston, TX
61	Wickersham, Taylor	OL	6-0	212	Jr.	Broken Arrow, OK
10	Williams, Gerald	WR	6-3	186	So.	Decatur, GA
65	Williams, Sammy	OL	6-4	295	Jr.	Harvey, IL
98	Williams, Steve	DT	6-5	270	Fr.	Sapulpa, OK
95	Wilson, Scott	DL	6-1	261	Jr.	Broken Arrow, OK
4	Woods, Clovis	DB	5-9	173	Fr.	Fork Union, VA
41	Woods, Mike	DB	5-11	170	Fr.	Del City, OK

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Allen, Ryan	DL	6-4	252	Enid, OK
SuperPrep All-American; Tulsa World All-State; in his senior year he had 73 tackles.				
Anderson, Matt	TE-LB	6-4	230	Moore, OK
SuperPrep All-Midlands; Daily Oklahoman All-State; all-district; recorded 78 tackles last season.				
Baker, Clarence	OL	6-4	290	Conroe, TX
All-Greater Houston.				
Berg, Brandon	FS	6-2	195	Abilene, TX
All-district; in his senior season he registered 85 tackles.				
Brown, Shaq	DL	6-6	270	Houston, TX
All-Conference last fall for Navarro (TC) JC.				
Burroughs, Romone	DB	6-1	170	Muskogee, OK
Registered 51 tackles last season for Northeastern OK JC.				
Burton, Cornelius	DL	6-6	250	Houston, TX
SuperPrep Texas 99; recorded 40 tackles in only seven games last year.				
Carpenter, Adam	OL	6-3	275	Pilot Point, TX
All-state; all-district.				
Daniels, Brandon	RB	6-0	180	Ada, OK
All-American; Daily Oklahoman Super Team; Tulsa Worlds. All-State. An ankle injury his senior season limited his playing time. His career total offense numbers are 5,720 yds and 83 total TDs.				
Dorsey, Derek	CB	5-11	180	Cedar Hill, TX
All-Southwest; all-district; his senior season he recorded 51 tackles.				
Fisher, Ryan	DL	6-3	275	Arlington, TX
SuperPrep All-Southwest; recorded 187 tackles in his last two seasons with 16 sacks.				
Jones, Sedric	FB-LB	6-4	239	Altus, OK
Daily Oklahoman All-State; All-Midlands SuperPrep; in his senior season he rushed for 1,007 yds. and recorded 75 tackles.				
Kempnich, Scott	OL	6-7	285	Wagoner, OK
All-American SuperPrep; Offensive Lineman of the Year in Class 4A; Tulsa World All-State.				
Little, Maurice	WR	6-3	175	Tuscaloosa, AL
Totalled 83 receptions in 1,544 yds. and 13 TDs during his career for Coffeyville JC.				
Moore, Gary Don	QB	6-1	190	Celina, TX
All-district; all-area; in his senior season he rushed for 1,316 yds. and 27 TDs. Also passed for 1,344 yds. and 18 TDs.				
Ousley, Scott	LB	6-2	236	Seminole, OK
SuperPrep All-Midlands; all-county; All-District Defensive Player of the Year; in his senior season he had 140 tackles.				
Rideau, Rodney	DB	6-0	175	Midwest City, OK
SuperPrep All-Midlands; all-state; all-district; last year he logged 54 tackles.				
Ridley, Steven	DB	6-3	210	Plainview, TX
Recorded 64 tackles last fall for Northeastern OK JC.				
Williams, Sammy	OL	6-4	295	Harvey, IL
All-conference last fall for Coffeyville CC.				
Williams, Steve	DL	6-5	270	Sapulpa, OK
Midlands Defensive Player of the Year; SuperPrep All-American; in his senior season he had 124 tackles.				
Woods, Mike	WR	5-11	170	Del City, OK
SuperPrep All-American; all-state; all-district; his senior season, he had 1,562 yds. and 20 TDs.				

## DEPTH CHART

### OFFENSE (3)

FL	24	Chris Blocker (So., 0); 81 Jarrell Jackson (Fr., 0)
LT	70	Barry Giles (Jr., 1); 62 Ricky Clark (Fr., 0)
LG	66	Chris Campbell (Sr., 3); 55 Able Simmons
C	73	Bruce McClure (Jr., 2); 77 Tim Macias (So., 0)
RG	64	Jon Mulac (Jr., 0); 67 Derrick Nelson (Jr., 0)
RT	66	Jay Smith (So., 1); 50 David Bullard (Sr., 0)
TE	80	Stephen Alexander (Jr., 2); 86 Jason Freeman (So., 1)
WR	10	Gerald Williams (So., 1); 83 Todd Barnes (Fr., 0)
QB	1	Eric Moore (So., 1); 12 Justin Fuente (Fr., 0)
FB	20	Michael Rose (Jr., 2); 30 Jermaine Fazande (So., 1)
HB	25	James Allen (Sr., 3); 33 DeMond Parker (Fr., 0)
PK	15	Jeremy Alexander (Jr., 2)

### DEFENSE (6)

LE	91	Mike Phipps (Jr., 1); 94 Greg Moyer (So., 0)
LT	76	Baron Tanner (Sr., 2); 95 Scott Wilson (Jr., 0)
RT	97	Kelly Gregg (So., 1); 93 Martin Chase (Jr., 2)
RE	85	Roderick Manuel (Sr., 3); 99 Carlos Baker (So., 0)
OLB	36	Travian Smith (Jr., 2); 27 Collin Rosenberg (Sr., 3)
MLB45		Tyrell Peters (Sr., 3); 43 Corey Ivy (Jr., 1)
OLB 51		Broderick Simpson (Sr., 3); 84 Dale Allen (So., 1)
LCB 21		Ramon Burroughs (Jr., 0); 4 Clovis Woods (Fr., 0)
SS	13	Terry White (So., 1); 17 Rod Henderson (Sr., 3)
FS	9	Anthony Fogle (Sr., 3); 14 Cornelius Davis (Jr., 1)
RCB	7	Cedric Stephens (So., 1); 14 Cornelius Davis (Jr., 1)
P	82	Brian Lewis (So., 1)

## TOP RETURNING LEADERS

**Passing:** Eric Moore, 90-200-1375-9, 7 TDs  
**Rushing:** James Allen, 87 car., 338 yds., 2 TDs  
**Receiving:** Stephen Alexander, 43 rec., 580 yds, 2 TDs  
**Scoring:** Jeremy Alexander, 14 FGs, 23 XP, 65 points  
**Punting:** Brian Lewis, 39 punts, 40.8 avg.  
**Kicking:** Jeremy Alexander, 14-17 FGs, 23-24 XP  
**Tackles:** Tyrell Peters, 121, 72 solo  
**Sacks:** Roderick Manuel, 5  
**Interceptions:** Anthony Fogle, 2 for 45 yards

## 1996 SCHEDULE

Sept. 7	TCU
Sept. 21	at San Diego State
Sept. 28	Tulsa
Oct. 5	Kansas
Oct. 12	Texas*
Oct. 19	at Baylor
Oct. 26	at Kansas State
Nov. 2	Nebraska
Nov. 9	at Oklahoma State
Nov. 16	at Texas A&M
Nov. 23	Texas Tech
	*Dallas, TX

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**A**lthough Oklahoma State didn't achieve the success Bob Simmons had predicted in his first season as head coach, the Cowboys' accomplishments did include a 12-0 win over Oklahoma at Norman, Okla. Oklahoma State hadn't defeated its archrival since 1976.

"For Oklahoma State fans and alums that have been agonizing, it's over. We won," Simmons said afterward. "This is a big stepping stone for this program."

The Oklahoma victory wasn't a fluke. The young Cowboys played well down the stretch of a 4-8 season, particularly against nationally ranked opponents. They lost to Kansas State 23-17, were tied with Colorado in the third



Alonzo Mayes

quarter before losing 45-32, and lost to Kansas 22-17.

In addition, a 30-26 victory at Missouri snapped a 20-game conference winless streak. "We're going to be a team on the rise," Simmons says. They were.

Even so, Oklahoma State finished the season ranked 79th nationally in total defense and 78th nationally in scoring defense. Despite a solid running game, the Cowboys ranked 92nd nationally in total offense.

In other words, they left plenty of room for improvement.

## quarterbacks

Senior Toné Jones will begin fall camp atop the depth chart, based on his three seasons of starting experience and a solid performance during the spring. Jones goes into his final season needing fewer than 500 passing yards to move up to No. 2 on the Cowboys' career list. Last season, Jones completed 104-of-218 passes for 1,185 yards and seven touchdowns. But he threw 11 interceptions, had one of the lowest pass-efficiency ratings in the Big Eight and was sacked 14 times.

Jones will be pushed in the fall. Incoming freshman Tony Lindsay will get a good look, and Joe Phears played well in the spring, after transferring from Pasadena (Calif.) Community College, where he passed for 4,775 yards and 34 touchdowns in two seasons.

## running backs

David Thompson is among the best in the Big 12, if not the nation. The senior tailback carried 256 times for 1,509 yards and eight touchdowns last season. He ranked second in the Big Eight in rushing yards, behind Iowa State's Troy Davis, and was one of only two players to rush for 100 or more yards against national champion Nebraska. He also ground out 181 yards against the nation's top-ranked defense: Kansas State's. Thompson, a first-team All-Big Eight selection, needs 1,206 rushing yards this season to reach 4,000 for his career.

Junior Andre Richardson would be a star tailback just about anywhere else. Richardson rushed for 705 yards and four touchdowns as Thompson's backup, was second on the team in pass receiving with 17 catches for 145 yards and earned all-conference honorable mention.

Sophomore fullback Brian Aikens started two games at midseason as a true freshman but carried only four times in six games.

## receivers

Junior tight end Alonzo Mayes was second-team All-Big Eight after leading the Cowboys in receiving. He caught 32 passes for 421 yards and four touchdowns in 11 games.

Sophomore Terrance Richardson, younger brother of running back Andre, caught 10 passes for 169 yards in 10 games as a true freshman last fall. The other wideout is senior Kent Luck.

Redshirt freshman Cameron White appears to be the best of the young receivers. Others include sophomores Willie Grissom and Sean Love, and redshirt freshman Adam Edwards. They'll be joined by Daunte Hill, a transfer from Blinn Junior College in Huntsville, Texas, who has 4.4 speed.

Versatile sophomore cornerback R.W. McQuarters also was used as a receiver last season, catching eight passes for 117 yards and one touchdown.

## offensive linemen

Seniors Derek Leinen and Josh Henson, and junior Calvin Menephee provide a veteran base. Leinen and Henson started every game last season at tackle and guard respectively. Henson, however, was moved to center during the spring. Menephee came on to start 10 games at the other tackle.

Sophomore Jeremy Offutt started two games at tackle but was moved to guard in the spring. Redshirt freshman Adam Davis emerged from the practice sessions as the top candidate at the other guard and has outstanding potential.







## defensive linemen

Senior Jay Grosfield and sophomore Jamal Williams are proven players at two of the three positions up front. Grosfield started 10 games last season, finishing with 48 tackles and a team-high seven sacks for 58 yards in losses. He also recovered a fumble. Williams started only three games but was a regular in the Cowboys' rotation. He made 73 tackles, including eight for losses totaling 17 yards. Williams was second on the team to Grosfield in sacks with six for 34 yards in losses.

Sophomore Billy Ensey, who played little a year ago, went into spring practice listed first on the depth chart at right defensive end, but junior Brandon Ashley, a transfer from Tennessee, could be the starter by the opener.

## linebackers

Senior Louis Adams started every game at outside linebacker. He made 44 tackles, intercepted a pass and broke up a team-high seven passes. Sophomore Tarrell Knauls was listed as Adams' backup on the pre-spring depth chart but had an outstanding practice period and could end up as a starter along with Adams.

Sophomores Andre Waddle and Jermaine Birdow, and redshirt freshman Tom Bensen are among the young players who will compete in the fall for playing time at outside linebacker.

Sophomores Josh Green and Billy Stone saw significant playing time as true freshmen and will start at strong-side and weak-side linebacker.

## defensive backs

The secondary is the strongest part of the Cow-

boys defense, with three returning starters in McQuarters and seniors Courtney Garner and Trent Fisher. McQuarters started every game except the opener against Nebraska, finishing with 62 tackles, three interceptions and five pass break-ups. Garner, the strong safety, started the last seven games. Fisher, the free safety, started every game and finished second on the team in tackles with 91.

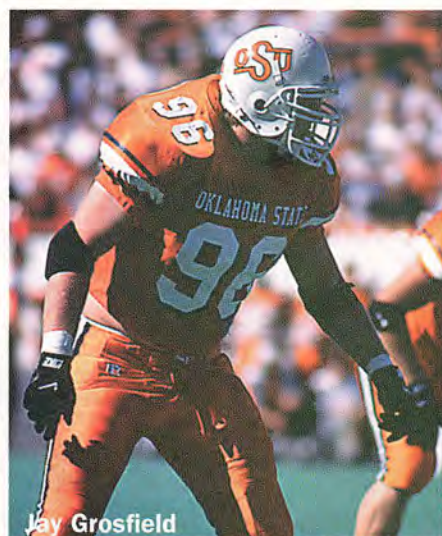
Senior cornerback Jitu Criddle, who has 4.3 speed, has started, as has senior Kevin Williams, a backup at safety.

## kicking game

Jason Davis, another transfer from Blinn Junior College, will replace Greg Ivy, who helped Oklahoma State rank fourth nationally in net punting in 1995. Davis averaged 43 yards per punt. Redshirt freshman Tim Sydnes, who kicked an Oklahoma high school record 63-yard field goal, will handle the placekicking. McQuarters led the Big Eight in kickoff returns, averaging 24.1 yards on 32 returns. Andre Richardson was the Cowboys' punt returner. Oklahoma State has ample room for improvement in punt returns after ranking 99th nationally last season.

## rising star

White might be well on his way to star status if he hadn't suffered a knee injury last fall. The wide receiver from Northglenn, Colo., expected to play as a true freshman but instead spent the season rehabilitating as a redshirt. He went through spring practice without problems and now appears to be all set.



Jay Grosfield

Brian Beard

## final analysis

Simmons put Oklahoma State through an extremely physical spring practice. One scrimmage lasted some 200 snaps. He means business. "We're going to build a solid program, and we're going to do it right — through recruiting, through freshmen," he said, when he took the job in Stillwater.

Simmons recruited reasonably well and has some freshmen who could step in immediately. The Cowboys could continue to improve in 1996 and yet their record might not be much better than last season because of the strength of the Big 12. However, Oklahoma State could be better than Oklahoma after finally breaking the Sooners' spell.



Toné Jones

## ALL-TIME COWBOYS 1901-1995

### Offense

WR	Hart Lee Dykes	1985-88
WR	Neill Armstrong	1943-46
OL	J.B. Christian	1964-67
OL	Derrel Gofourth	1974-76
OL	Jon Kolb	1966-68
OL	Doug Freeman	1980-82
OL	Ralph Partida	1982-84
QB	Mike Gundy	1986-89
RB	Barry Sanders	1986-88
RB	Thurman Thomas	1984, 86-87
RB	Bob Fenimore	1943-46
K	Larry Roach	1981-84

### Defense

DL	Mike Woolridge	1989-92
DL	Leslie O'Neal	1982-85
DL	Stacey Satterwhite	1988-91
DL	Jason Gildon	1990-93
LB	John Corker	1976-79
LB	Keith Burns	1992-93
LB	Ricky Young	1979-81
DB	Harry Cheatwood	1965-68
DB	Mark Moore	1983-86
DB	Alvin Brown	1972-73
DB	Chris Rockins	1980-83
P	Cliff Parsley	1973-76



# OKLAHOMA STATE ROSTER

**1995 Record:** 4-8-0  
**Big 8 Record:** 2-5-0

**Head Coach:**  
Bob Simmons

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	CL.	HOMETOWN	NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	CL.	HOMETOWN
2	Adams, Louis	LB	6-1	225	Sr.	Pontiac, MI		Jones, Jeffrey	DB	6-0	185	Jr.	Pacific, MO
65	Adams, Tim	OL	6-8	325	Fr.	Houston, TX	9	Jones, Toné	QB	5-11	190	Sr.	Tulsa, OK
30	Aikens, Brian	FB	6-1	245	So.	Woodbridge, NJ	76	Klare, Kelly	OL	6-5	315	Jr.	Amarillo, TX
10	Alexander, Trent	DB	6-0	175	So.	Tulsa, OK	88	Knauls, Tarrell	LB	6-3	220	So.	Tulsa, OK
	Ashley, Brandon	DT	6-5	255	Jr.	Dallas, TX	69	Lavigne, Reynell	OL	6-1	270	Fr.	New Orleans, LA
50	Benson, Tom	LB	6-1	205	Fr.	Worthington, OH	53	LeBlanc, Taber	LB	6-3	235	So.	Edmond, OK
33	Birdow, Jermaine	DE	6-4	215	So.	Lawton, OK	74	Lewis, Chris	OL	6-5	260	So.	Houston, TX
87	Brown, Greg	TE	6-2	230	So.	Marlow, OK	64	Leinen, Derek	OL	6-4	292	Sr.	Amarillo, TX
44	Cager, Stephen	LB	6-1	240	So.	Dallas, TX		Linnear, Kerry	DE	6-5	255	So.	DeSoto, TX
52	Cambern, Ryan	LB	5-11	220	Sr.	Tulsa, OK	8	Love, Sean	WR	5-11	180	So.	Oklahoma City, OK
5	Caram, Drew	QB	6-0	180	Fr.	Midwest City, OK	19	Luck, Kent	WR	5-8	175	Sr.	Muskogee, OK
22	Cato, Raymond	LB	6-1	195	Fr.	Midwest City, OK		Mallory, Cortney	DL	6-3	255	Fr.	Detroit, MI
11	Chaloupka, Chris	QB	6-3	195	Fr.	Angelton, TX		Manning, Andy	PK	5-11	175	Jr.	Bartlesville, OK
	Coleman, Randy	WR	5-8	158	Fr.	New Orleans, LA		Marshall, Karl	DB	6-0	200	So.	Oklahoma City, OK
73	Cook, Blaine	OL	6-4	255	Fr.	Edmonton, AB	85	Mayes, Alonzo	TE	6-6	265	Jr.	Oklahoma City, OK
26	Criddle, Jitu	DB	6-1	185	Fr.	Houston, TX	59	McCarty, Justin	LB	6-3	210	Fr.	Hurst, TX
86	Davis, Adam	OL	6-6	240	Fr.	Hobart, OK	83	McNeal, Tim	WR	6-3	190	So.	Dallas, TX
	Davis, Jason	P	6-0	215	Jr.	Kerrville, TX	17	McQuarters, R.W.	DB	5-11	185	So.	Tulsa, OK
36	DeLisa, Mike	DE	5-8	180	Jr.	Tinley Park, IL	71	Menephee, Calvin	OL	6-2	320	Jr.	Houston, TX
82	Edwards, Adam	WR	6-2	200	Fr.	Midwest City, OK	57	Metcalf, Clint	LB	6-3	210	So.	Hooker, OK
66	Ensey, Billy	DL	6-3	260	So.	Lancaster, TX	70	Offutt, Jeremy	OL	6-5	260	So.	Paris, TX
55	Ensey, Russell	DL	6-3	260	So.	Lancaster, TX	16	Pfeiffer, Roger	TE	6-4	230	Sr.	Yukon, OK
	Farnbach, Jay	OL	6-3	250	So.	Oklahoma City, OK		Phears, Joe	QB	6-2	200	Jr.	Pomona, CA
15	Fisher, Trent	FS	5-10	190	Sr.	Putnam City, OK	25	Richardson, Andre	RB	5-9	190	Jr.	Dallas, TX
29	Flowers, J.B.	DB	6-2	180	Fr.	LaMarque, TX	24	Richardson, Terrance	WR	5-10	190	So.	Dallas, TX
	Funk, Rodney	DB	5-11	190	So.	Oklahoma City, OK		Ross, Joe	WR	5-10	170	So.	Midwest City, OK
20	Garner, Courtney	SS	6-0	185	Sr.	New Orleans, LA	38	Settles, Charles	WR	6-2	180	Fr.	Muskogee, OK
	Gilbreath, Josh	WR	5-9	160	Fr.	Midwest City, OK	1	Simmons, Nathan	RB	5-10	190	Fr.	Boulder, CO
89	Golden, Jack	TE	6-3	225	So.	Harvey, IL	18	Smith, Rodney	QB	6-1	180	Fr.	Tulsa, OK
77	Golembiewski, Andrew	OL	6-5	265	Fr.	Santee, CA	51	Snow, David	OL	6-1	260	Jr.	Houston, TX
54	Green, Josh	LB	6-0	215	So.	San Antonio, TX	41	Steggs, Garrett	TE	6-3	200	Fr.	Imperial, NE
90	Grissom, Willie	WR	5-11	190	So.	Oklahoma City, OK	5	Stohlmann, Rob	PK	6-0	185	Fr.	Ft. Worth, TX
86	Grosfield, Jay	DE	6-4	255	Sr.	Dumas, TX	44	Stone, Billy	LB	6-1	230	So.	Putnam City, OK
48	Halferty, Jeremy	RB	6-2	200	Fr.	Elkhart, KS	31	Sydes, Tim	PK	6-2	180	Fr.	Putnam City, OK
14	Hartfield, Travis	WR	6-2	195	So.	Watonga, OK	84	Thompson, Chris	DB	6-3	195	So.	Dallas, TX
42	Hartsock, Jake	WR	5-11	170	Fr.	Norman, OK	28	Thompson, David	RB	5-8	200	Sr.	Oklmulgee, OK
60	Hawks, Joseph	DL	6-5	255	Fr.	Norman, OK	20	Vaughn, Terrance	DB	5-7	160	Fr.	Plano, TX
62	Henson, Josh	OL	6-2	250	Sr.	Tuttle, OK	75	Villanueva, Jim	OL	6-3	272	Jr.	Houston, TX
	Holloway, Kenneth	DB	5-10	172	So.	Midwest City, OK	42	Waddle, Andre	LB	6-2	225	So.	Columbus, TX
	Hullum, Patrick	DB	6-1	195	Fr.	Broken Arrow, OK	37	White, Cameron	WR	6-3	175	Fr.	Northglenn, CO
23	Johnson, Boogie	RB	5-8	198	Sr.	Wheeling, WV		Whitehead, Marcus	FB	6-2	215	So.	Dacula, GA
95	Johnson, Chad	DL	6-1	260	Fr.	Kansas City, MO	99	Williams, Jamal	DL	6-3	260	So.	Washington, DC
94	Johnson, Norman	DL	6-1	265	So.	Washington, DC	5	Williams, Kevin	DB	6-0	186	Sr.	Pine Bluff, AR

## 1996 SIGNEES

NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	HOMETOWN
Arceo, George	OL	6-5	295	Santa Ana, CA
Junior College All-American last season for Rancho Santiago (CA) JC.				
Barry, Sean	LB-DE	6-6	240	Detroit, MI
All-Detroit Evening News; all-city; all-metro.				
Brown, Kevin	FB	6-2	240	McAlester, OK
Rushed for 1,672 yds. and 25 TDs as a senior.				
Camacho, David	OL	6-8	310	Compton, CA
All-American last season for Los Angeles Harbor JC.				
Campbell, Bernie	DL	6-3	270	Washington, DC
All-conference; All-WCAC.				
Carter, Chris	DB	6-3	190	El Reno, OK
Daily Oklahoman All-State.				
Chappell, Randy	WR	6-4	205	Covington, LA
All-district; all-parish; rushed for more than 800 yds. and had more than 50 tackles as a senior.				
Coleman, Randy	WR	5-9	170	Marrero, LA
Signed with Oklahoma State last year but did not qualify.				
Cook, Densho	DT	6-4	280	Stillwater, OK
Tulsa World and Daily Oklahoman All-State.				
Davis, Jason	P	6-0	215	Kerrville, TX
All-American last fall for Blinn JC.				
Fobbs, Jamaal	RB	5-11	180	New Orleans, LA
SuperPrep All-Regional; all-city; all-district; all-parish.				
Hill, Daunte	WR	5-9	190	Huntsville, TX
Caught 21 passes for 371 yds. last season for Blinn JC.				
Jackson, Eric	OL	6-5	265	Killeen, TX
All-area; all-district.				
Jackson, Khary	TE-LB	6-4	235	Detroit, MI
All-city; All-Detroit News; all-district.				
James, Delvin	LB	6-3	215	Nacogdoches, TX
Recorded 105 tackles last season.				
Kemp, Kevin	OL	6-6	300	Wewoka, OK
Tulsa World All-State; Daily Oklahoman All-State; recorded 306 career tackles.				
Lind, Joshua	OL	6-7	250	St. Charles, MO
All-district.				
Lindsay, Tony	QB	6-2	190	Denver, CO
As a senior passed for 2,300 yds. and 26 TDs.				
Matthews, Justin	ATH	5-11	190	Oklahoma City, OK
Daily Oklahoman Oklahoma Offensive Player of the Year; led the state in rushing with 2,859 yds. and he also scored 42 TDs.				
Phears, Joe	QB	6-2	200	Pomona, CA
Passed for 2,586 yds. last season for Pasadena CC.				
Porter, Alvin	WR-DB	6-0	175	Dallas, TX
Dallas Morning News Top 100; caught 70 passes for 1,500 yds. as a senior.				
Stevenson, Eric	RB	6-3	235	Crescent, OK
As a senior, he rushed for 1,254 yds.				
Thomas, Justin	DB	6-3	210	Plano, TX
Dallas Morning News Top 100; SuperPrep All-American; BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American.				
Warner, Zac	LB	6-5	230	Putnam City, OK
BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American; SuperPrep All-Regional.				
Wright, Kenyatta	LB	6-2	225	Vian, OK
Tulsa World and Daily Oklahoman All-State; last season he recorded 151 tackles.				

## DEPTH CHART

### OFFENSE (6)

**WR** 24 Terrance Richardson (So., 1); 80 Willie Grissom (So., 1)  
**TE** 85 Alonzo Mayes (Jr., 2); 89 Jack Golden (So., 1)  
**LT** 64 Derek Leinen (Sr., 3); 74 Chris Lewis (So., 1)  
**LG** 86 Adam Davis (Fr., 0); 75 Jim Villanueva (Jr., 1)  
**C** 62 Josh Henson (Sr., 2); 51 David Snow (Jr., 1)  
**RG** 70 Jeremy Offutt (So., 1); 73 Blaine Cook (Fr., 0)  
**RT** 71 Calvin Menephee (Jr., 2); 77 Andrew Golembiewski (Fr., 0)  
**WR** 19 Kent Luck (Sr., 2); 82 Adam Edwards (Fr., 0)  
**QB** 9 Toné Jones (Sr., 3); 11 Chris Chaloupka (Fr., 0)  
**TB** 28 David Thompson (Sr., 3); 25 Andre Richardson (Jr., 2)  
**FB** 30 Brian Aikens (So., 1); Marcus Whitehead (So., 0)  
**PK** 31 Tim Sydes (Fr., 0)

### DEFENSE (6)

**LE** 96 Jay Grosfield (Sr., 3); 55 Russell Ensey (So., 0)  
**NG** 99 Jamal Williams (So., 1); Cortney Mallory (Fr., 0)  
**RE** 66 Billy Ensey (So., 1); Brandon Ashley (Jr., 0)  
**OLB** 2 Louis Adams (Sr., 3); 88 Tarrell Knauls (So., 1)  
**WLB** 44 Billy Stone (So., 1); 52 Ryan Cambern (Sr., 2)  
**SLB** 54 Josh Green (So., 1); 53 Taber LeBlanc (So., 1)  
**OLB** 42 Andre Waddle (So., 1); 33 Jermaine Birdow (So., 1)  
**LC** 26 Jitu Criddle (Sr., 2); 29 J.B. Flowers (Fr., 0)  
**FS** 15 Trent Fisher (Sr., 3); 5 Kevin Williams (Sr., 3)  
**SS** 20 Courtney Garner (Sr., 1); 10 Trent Alexander (So., 1)  
**RC** 17 R.W. McQuarters (So., 1); 20 Terrance Vaughn (Fr., 0)  
**P** Jason Davis (Jr., 0)

## TOP RETURNING LEADERS

**Passing:** Toné Jones, 104-218-1185-11, 7 TDs  
**Rushing:** David Thompson, 256 car., 1509 yds., 8 TDs  
**Receiving:** Alonzo Mayes, 32 rec., 421 yds., 4 TDs  
**Scoring:** Toné Jones, 10 TDs, 1 XP, 60 points  
**Punting:** None  
**Kicking:** None  
**Tackles:** Trent Fisher, 91, 51 solo  
**Sacks:** Jay Grosfield, 7  
**Interceptions:** R.W. McQuarters, 3 for 21 yards

## 1996 SCHEDULE

Aug. 31 Southwest Missouri  
 Sept. 7 Texas Tech\*  
 Sept. 14 Tulsa  
 Sept. 21 Utah State  
 Oct. 5 at Texas  
 Oct. 12 at Colorado  
 Oct. 19 Iowa State  
 Oct. 26 at Missouri  
 Nov. 2 Texas A&M  
 Nov. 9 Oklahoma  
 Nov. 23 Baylor  
 \*Irving, TX

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**F**ollowing their first outright conference title in five years and just prior to their setback in the Nokia Sugar Bowl, the Texas Longhorns received plenty of unwanted national exposure for having an ineligible player on the squad.

This year, the Longhorns again figure to attract plenty of national attention during the bowl season. This time, however, the national spotlight should be shining on an imposing roster instead of a roster impostor.

Rest assured, the 1996 Longhorns certainly look like the real deal.

"You look at their roster, and it's awfully impressive," says Texas Tech coach Spike Dykes.



Chris Akins

"Everything seems to be in place for Texas."

Indeed, the Longhorns return enough firepower to establish peace in the Middle East. Texas returns 14 starters, including Southwest Conference Offensive Player of the Year James Brown, Newcomer of the Year Shon Mitchell, Freshman of the Year Ricky Williams and seven consensus all-conference performers.

"There are a lot of little questions to be answered and some real big questions, particularly in the offensive and defensive lines," says fifth-year Texas coach John Mackovic. "But overall, we're very excited about the makeup of this team."

## quarterbacks

Unlike the legendary singer who shares the same name, Texas' junior quarterback James Brown hasn't had many reasons recently to shout out, "I feel good."

Brown was slowed by an ankle injury late last season and was hampered all year by ligament problems in his right (throwing) shoulder. Nevertheless, Brown, who missed spring practice to rehabilitate his shoulder, managed to finish 22nd nationally in total offense (234.8 per game). He

is the Big 12's top returning total offense performer, one of the premier run/pass quarterbacks in the country, and if he stays healthy, the Longhorns' offense is extremely dangerous.

"I have to tip my hat to James Brown," says Texas A&M linebacker Keith Mitchell. "He was hurt (last year against A&M) and still made the plays they needed to win. He's tough."

The Horns are thin behind Brown, with sophomore Richard Walton and redshirt freshman Marty Cherry the top reserves.

## running backs

Texas lacks depth in some areas, but definitely not at running back.

The Shon Mitchell-Ricky Williams duo was the second-most productive rushing combination in Longhorn history (2,089 yards, 18 touchdowns) and led Texas to a No. 22 national ranking in rushing. Mitchell is a senior, Williams a sophomore. Last year, Mitchell became the first Longhorn since Eric Metcalf in 1987 to rush for over 1,000 yards in a season, and Williams, who missed the spring to play professional baseball, drew comparisons to Earl Campbell for his bullish style.

Senior Priest Holmes, the 1994 Sun Bowl MVP, sat out last year because of an injury, but he'll be an outstanding backup. Redshirt freshman Chris Butcher and junior Gerrod Coleman add further depth at running back.

## receivers

A two-time all-conference player and a semi-finalist the last two years for the Biletnikoff Award, the elusive Mike Adams is already Texas' all-time leader in career receiving yards (2,090). The senior flanker's durability and versatility make him one of the Longhorns' most dangerous offensive weapons.

Opposite Adams, senior Curtis Jackson, junior Cortney Epps, senior Matt Davis and sophomore Wane McGarity, who played running back last year, likely will share time at split end. Second team All-American Pat Fitzgerald rounds out the receiving corps at tight end.

## offensive linemen

The Longhorns lose three starters from a year ago, making the offensive line one of the biggest areas of concern. On the positive side, however, senior All-American Dan Neil is an Outland Trophy candidate at right guard. Joining Neil as the only other returning starter up front is junior center Ryan Fiebigler.

Sophomores Ben Adams, Octavious Bishop and Russell Gaskamp are projected as starters. Sophomores Jay Humphrey and Travis Wood, junior Brent Kelly and possibly some incoming freshmen should battle for playing time.

## defensive linemen

Texas' defensive line was dominant at times last year. But in 1996, the Longhorns' front







four just might find itself being dominated.

The Longhorns lose two of three starters, including All-America defensive end Tony Brackens, who led the team in sacks three years running and left early for the NFL draft. Texas has just three returning veterans and will be forced to rely on some incoming freshmen.

The good news is that All-SWC junior nose guard Chris Akins returns to gum up the middle for opposing offenses, but he'll have to shoulder a significant burden. Sophomores Gray Mosier and Clarence Martin are the only other lettermen up front. Incoming freshmen Derrick Curry, Will Goodloe, Casey Hampton and Cedric Woodard will compete for playing time immediately.

## linebackers

With the return of starters Tyson King, a senior who led the team in tackling the last two years, and Kyle Richardson, Texas is solid at inside linebacker. But with the loss of starters Robert Reed and Jason Reeves, the outside is questionable.

King and Richardson have combined to start 39 games the last two seasons. Sophomore Dusty Renfro, who led all SWC freshmen defenders last year with 64 tackles, provides solid depth.

Senior Jonathan Hickerson, junior Matt Jones, sophomores Michael Boudoin and Mark Kuper, redshirt freshman Damon Luckett and true freshman Aaron Humphrey are projected to share time at the outside linebacker spots.

## defensive backs

Texas returns all four starting defensive backs and all four are seniors with three letters apiece,

making the Longhorns' secondary one of the most experienced and proven units in the country. Cornerbacks Bryant Westbrook and Taje Allen, free safety Chris Carter and strong safety Tre Thomas have combined to start 93 games in the last three years.

Westbrook and Carter were both consensus all-conference a year ago, and Mackovic calls Allen one of the most underrated players on the team.

Senior safeties Robert Crenshaw and Cody Danaher, along with sophomore cornerback Tony Holmes, should also get playing time in different coverage packages.

## kicking game

If junior Phil Dawson returns from reconstructive knee surgery, the Longhorns' kicking game is in solid shape. Dawson was outstanding as a sophomore, making four field goals of 50 yards or more, including a 50-yarder into a 20-mph wind to beat Virginia on the final play of the game.

Junior Mark Schultis returns as the Longhorns' punter after averaging 40.4 yards per punt and dropping 15 inside the opponents' 20-yard line. Schultis is also a talented placekicker but true freshman Kris Stockton may prove to be Dawson's top backup.

Adams should handle both kickoff and punt returns, although Carter averaged 11.9 yards per punt return last season, and Jackson averaged 21.6 yards per kickoff return in 1994.

## rising star

Freshman Damon Luckett, who redshirted last season, showed tremendous promise in practice,



Pat Fitzgerald

PAT O'MALLEY

earning defensive scout team MVP. With sophomore Mark Kuper recuperating from knee surgery, Luckett will be counted on for immediate, major contributions at rush outside linebacker.

## final analysis

Last year was a breakthrough season for the Longhorns. If they can keep Brown, whose shoulder problem is cause for serious concern, and the offensive and defensive lines from breaking down, '96 could be even better.

Texas has collected its most talented team, especially at the skill positions, in recent history. And with six teams who went to bowl games last year on the Longhorns' schedule, that's not a bad place to begin.



Mike Adams

JOE RAVENHOF

## ALL-TIME LONGHORNS 1893-1995

### Offense

WR	Johnny "Lam" Jones	1976-79
WR	Cotton Speyrer	1968-70
OL	Blake Brockermeyer	1992-94
OL	Dick Harris	1945-48
OL	Scott Appleton	1961-63
OL	Jerry Sisemore	1970-72
OL	Bobby Wuensch	1968-70
QB	Bobby Layne	1944-47
RB	Eric Metcalf	1985-88
RB	Earl Campbell	1974-77
RB	Steve Worster	1968-70
K	Jeff Ward	1983-86

### Defense

DL	Hub Bechtol	1944-46
DL	Carlton Massey	1952-53
DL	Bud McFadin	1948-50
DL	Kenneth Sims	1978-81
LB	Tommy Nobis	1963-65
LB	Glen Halsell	1967-69
LB	Scott Henderson	1968-70
DB	Jerry Gray	1981-84
DB	Johnnie Johnson	1976-79
DB	Alan Lowry	1970-72
DB	Lance Gunn	1989-92
P	Russell Erxleben	1975-78



# TEXAS ROSTER

**1995 Record:** 10-2-1  
**SWC Record:** 7-0-0  
**Head Coach:** Jack Mackovic

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	CL.	HOMETOWN
79	Adams, Ben	OG	6-5	298	So.	LaMirada, CA
83	Adams, Mike	WR	6-1	187	Sr.	Arlington, TX
96	Akins, Chris	NG	6-1	292	Jr.	Paris, TX
2	Allen, Taje	CB	5-11	188	Sr.	Lubbock, TX
80	Armstrong, Dustin	WR	6-1	200	Fr.	Cleburne, TX
38	Babino, Aaron	SS	6-1	207	Fr.	Port Arthur, TX
58	Barrasa, Carlo	OLB	6-1	218	So.	Houston, TX
75	Bishop, Octavious	OT	6-5	308	So.	Spring, TX
65	Blakley, Eddie	NG	6-0	255	So.	Killeen, TX
93	Boudoin, Michael	OLB	6-2	225	So.	New Orleans, LA
89	Bradley, Steve	TE	6-3	250	Sr.	Arlington, TX
49	Brockman, Zach	RB	6-0	200	So.	San Antonio, TX
26	Brown, Charles	WR	6-0	180	Jr.	Houston, TX
5	Brown, James	QB	6-0	186	Jr.	Beaumont, TX
44	Brown, Ricky	RB	6-0	210	Fr.	Arlington, TX
27	Butcher, Chris	RB	6-0	193	Fr.	Longview, TX
16	Carter, Chris	FS	6-1	200	Sr.	Tyler, TX
14	Cherry, Marty	QB	6-2	195	Fr.	Texarkana, AR
32	Clayton, Jeffrey	RB	5-10	220	Jr.	Mission Viejo, CA
27	Clark, James	DB	6-1	190	Jr.	Austin, TX
29	Coleman, Gerrod	RB	6-0	230	Jr.	Fl. Worth, TX
25	Crenshaw, Robert	SS	5-10	195	Sr.	Austin, TX
57	Cutrer, Tyson	ILB	6-2	225	Jr.	Arlington, TX
23	Dagley, Brian	CB	5-10	160	Sr.	Duncanville, TX
18	Danaher, Cody	FS	6-0	215	Sr.	Corpus Christi, TX
30	Danney, Chris	WR	6-2	192	So.	Boerne, TX
54	Davies, Corey	DE	6-4	247	Sr.	Austin, TX
86	Davis, Matt	WR	6-5	216	Sr.	Fl. Worth, TX
4	Dawson, Phil	PK	5-11	187	Jr.	Dallas, TX
28	Dullin, Robert	WR	6-1	195	So.	San Antonio, TX
7	Epps, Courtney	WR	6-1	193	Jr.	Dallas, TX
92	Fett, T.J.	ILB	6-2	221	So.	Winfield, IL
58	Fiebigler, Ryan	C	6-3	280	Jr.	Flower Mound, TX
81	Fitzgerald, Pat	TE	6-2	225	Sr.	Agoura, CA
71	Frierson, Keith	OL	6-6	260	Fr.	Deer Park, TX
26	Froelich, Kyle	FS	5-9	184	Sr.	Huntsville, TX
61	Garcia, Moises	OLB	5-11	215	Jr.	Crystal City, TX
44	Garrett, Jonathan	ILB	6-1	222	So.	Conroe, TX
54	Gaskamp, Russell	OL	6-4	290	So.	Weatherford, OK
48	Gulledge, Trey	WR	6-2	205	Jr.	Acton, MA
36	Harrison, Kenny	RB	6-2	216	Sr.	Port Arthur, TX
56	Hayes, Patrick	OLB	6-2	230	Sr.	Tyler, TX
28	Hector, Anton	CB	6-1	184	Fr.	Anaheim, CA
43	Hickerson, Jonathan	OLB	6-0	235	Sr.	San Antonio, TX
55	Hicks, Anthony	LB	6-0	234	Fr.	Richardson, TX
63	Hicks, Wes	ILB	6-4	218	So.	Abilene, TX
33	Holmes, Priest	RB	5-10	220	Sr.	San Antonio, TX

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	CL.	HOMETOWN
31	Holmes, Tony	CB	5-9	185	So.	Irving, TX
29	Houff, Gary	DB	5-11	213	So.	Texarkana, TX
67	Humphrey, Jay	OT	6-7	287	So.	Richardson, TX
39	Jackson, Curtis	WR	5-10	188	Sr.	Plano, TX
53	Jenkins, Melvin	DT	6-0	260	Jr.	DeKalb, TX
19	Jones, Jeremy	WR	5-9	155	So.	Phoenix, AZ
42	Jones, Matt	ILB	6-3	225	Jr.	El Cajon, CA
76	Kelly, Brent	OT	6-6	285	Jr.	Allen, TX
50	King, Tyson	LB	6-0	230	Sr.	El Campo, TX
41	Kuper, Mark	OLB	6-4	236	So.	Hereford, TX
82	Lewis, Derek	TE	6-2	225	So.	New Orleans, LA
61	Lloyd, Bryon	NG	6-2	252	Jr.	Houston, TX
92	Luckett, Damon	OLB	6-2	231	Fr.	Houston, TX
6	Mahaffey, Matt	PK	5-10	156	So.	Huntsville, TX
52	Mansker, Clay	DL	6-0	240	So.	Portland, TX
90	Martin, Clarence	DT	6-3	292	So.	Oceanside, CA
8	McGarity, Wane	RB	5-8	190	So.	San Antonio, TX
94	Miller, Colby	DE	6-3	256	Jr.	Corpus Christi, TX
38	Miller, John	RB	5-10	181	Fr.	Arlington, TX
3	Mitchell, Shon	RB	5-10	185	Sr.	Austin, TX
73	Moore, Will	OL	6-1	225	So.	Victoria, TX
95	Mosier, Gray	DE	6-5	250	So.	Boerne, TX
68	Muirhead, Colin	OLB	6-3	220	Fr.	Tomball, TX
51	Nava, Brandon	ILB	6-3	245	Fr.	Mesquite, TX
69	Neil, Dan	OG	6-2	285	Sr.	Cypress Creek, TX
9	O'Neill, Ryan	QB	6-3	207	So.	Victoria, TX
63	Powers, Blake	C	6-1	260	Jr.	DeSoto, TX
33	Rankin, Mark	CB	6-0	185	So.	Spring, TX
46	Renfro, Dusty	LB	6-0	235	So.	Alvarado, TX
59	Richardson, Kyle	LB	6-0	230	Jr.	Richardson, TX
88	Roberts, Chris	TE	6-2	247	Fr.	Austin, TX
6	Scarborough, Mike	WR	6-0	188	So.	Sugar Land, TX
15	Schultis, Mark	P-PK	6-1	195	Jr.	Sherman, TX
87	Scott, Derrick	TE	6-3	225	So.	Beaumont, TX
67	Scott, Josh	OLB	6-3	235	So.	Sioux City, NB
34	Scott, Quincy	DB	6-0	185	Jr.	San Antonio, TX
17	Thomas, Tre	SS	6-2	210	Sr.	Sugar Land, TX
2	Walker, Rory	PK	5-11	175	Sr.	Galveston, TX
9	Wallace, Quinton	CB	6-0	190	Jr.	Rosenberg, TX
10	Walton, Richard	QB	6-5	217	So.	Bay City, TX
30	Westbrook, Bryant	CB	6-0	195	Sr.	Oceanside, CA
1	White, Bryan	WR	5-10	180	So.	Deer Park, TX
11	Williams, Ricky	RB	6-0	225	So.	San Diego, CA
24	Willman, Reagan	SS	5-9	180	So.	Menard, TX
65	Wood, Travis	OG	6-2	280	So.	San Antonio, TX
36	Winzer, Clarence	DB	5-10	165	So.	Buda, TX

## 1996 SIGNEES

NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	HOMETOWN
Barnes, Will	RB	5-10	205	Camilla, GA
Rushed for 760 yards and seven TDs last year for Independence (KS) CC.				
Blanchard, Marcel	OL	6-5	280	Sugar Land, TX
Was a finalist for the Houston Touchdown Club's Offensive Player of the Year in 1995; Fort Worth Star-Telegram Top 100.				
Curry, Derrick	DL	6-4	265	Houston, TX
BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American; San Antonio Express-News Super 60; had 105 tackles (72 solo) as a senior.				
Ellis, Tony	RB	6-0	193	Brownsville, TX
Rushed for 2,309 yds and 29 TDs last fall; BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American; all-state; Austin American-Statesman Fabulous 55; Dallas Morning News Top 100; District Offensive MVP in 1995.				
Garcia, Mike	OL	6-6	270	Deer Park, TX
BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American; Dallas Morning News Top 100; All-Greater Houston.				
Goodlow, Will	DL	6-5	245	Spring Valley, CA
BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American; SuperPrep All-American; had 68 tackles and five sacks as a senior.				
Hammer, Jake	LB	6-3	240	Deer Park, TX
BLUECHIP Illustrated All-Southwest Region; Dallas Morning News Top 100; had 83 tackles last season.				
Hampton, Casey	DL	6-1	300	Galveston, TX
Dallas Morning News Top 100; Houston Chronicle All-State; District Defensive Player of the Year; recorded 102 tackles last year.				
Healy, Brandon	WR	6-1	195	Carlsbad, CA
SuperPrep All-American; all-state; led the county with 49 receptions for 623 yds. and seven TDs his senior year.				
Hubbard, Joe	OL	6-5	280	Hooks, TX
BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American; Austin American-Statesman Fabulous 55.				
Humphrey, Aaron	LB	6-4	240	Lubbock, TX
All-state; Austin American-Statesman Fabulous 55; Dallas Morning News Top 100; recorded 126 tackles as a senior.				
Jenkins, Levar	DB	5-10	175	Cuero, TX
Had 152 tackles as a senior; rushed for more than 1,400 yds. and had 22 TDs on offense.				
Kelly, J.J.	TE	6-2	235	Brenham, TX
Houston Chronicle Top 100; credited with 50 pancake blocks while catching 16 passes for 268 yds. as a senior.				
Land, Richard	OL	6-7	310	Brentwood, TN
BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American; USA TODAY Super 25; Mr. Football in the state of Tennessee (Class 5A).				
McCowen, Donald	DB	6-2	210	Dallas, TX
SuperPrep All-American; San Antonio Express-News Super 60; had five ints. as a senior.				
Quye, Cory	OL	6-6	275	San Antonio, TX
Dallas Morning News Top 100; all-city; all district as a senior.				
Roesler, Roger	OL	6-6	300	Round Rock, TX
BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American; Top 100 by Dallas Morning News and Houston Chronicle.				
Smith, Chris	TE/LB	6-5	231	Palestine, TX
All-East Texas; had 14 catches for 294 yds. and six TDs last season.				
Stockton, Kris	PK-P	5-9	165	Katy, TX
BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American; hit 7-of-9 field goals, including long of 51 yds., as a senior.				
Taft, Josh	LB	6-3	23	Plano, TX
Dallas Morning News Top 100; had 157 tackles as a senior.				
Thompson, Jamel	WR	6-0	185	Dallas, TX
Dallas Morning News Top 100; caught 32 passes for 568 yds. and five TDs as a senior.				
Woodward, Cedric	DL	6-3	280	Sweeny, TX
BLUECHIP Illustrated Dream Team; Top 100 by Dallas Morning News and Houston Chronicle; had 58 tackles last season.				

## DEPTH CHART

### OFFENSE (7)

WR	39	Curtis Jackson (Sr., 3); 7 Courtney Epps (Jr., 0)
LT	75	Octavious Bishop (So., 1); 71 Keith Frierson (Fr., 0)
LG	79	Ben Adams (So., 1); 65 Travis Wood (So., 0)
C	58	Ryan Fiebigler (Jr., 2); 54 Russell Gaskamp (So., 0)
RG	69	Dan Neil (Sr., 3); 54 Russell Gaskamp (So., 0)
RT	67	Jay Humphrey (So., 1); 76 Brent Kelly (Jr., 1)
TE	81	Pat Fitzgerald (Sr., 2); 89 Steve Bradley (Sr., 3)
QB	5	James Brown (Jr., 2); 10 Richard Walton (So., 1)
RB	3	Shon Mitchell (Sr., 3); 8 Wane McGarity (So., 1)
RB	11	Ricky Williams (So., 1); 32 Jeffrey Clayton (Sr., 1)
WR	83	Mike Adams (Sr., 3); 86 Matt Davis (Sr., 2)
PK	4	Phil Dawson (Jr., 2)

### DEFENSE (7)

DE	95	Gray Mosier (So., 1); 54 Corey Davies (Sr., 0)
NG	96	Chris Akins (Jr., 2); 61 Bryon Lloyd (Jr., 0)
DT	90	Clarence Martin (So., 1); 53 Melvin Jenkins (Jr., 0)
OLB	43	Jonathan Hickerson (Sr., 2); 93 Michael Boudoin (So., 1)
SLB	59	Kyle Richardson (Jr., 3); 46 Dusty Renfro (So., 1)
WLB	50	Tyson King (Sr., 3); 55 Anthony Hicks (Fr., 0)
OLB	41	Mark Kuper (So., 0); 92 Damon Luckett (Fr., 0)
RCB	2	Taje Allen (Sr., 3); 31 Tony Holmes (So., 1)
FS	16	Chris Carter (Sr., 3); 18 Cody Danaher (Sr., 3)
SS	17	Tre Thomas (Sr., 3); 25 Robert Crenshaw (Sr., 3)
LCB	30	Bryant Westbrook (Sr., 3); 28 Anton Hector (Fr., 0)
P	15	Mark Schultis (Jr., 1)

## TOP RETURNING LEADERS

**Passing:** James Brown, 163-322-2447-12, 19 TDs  
**Rushing:** Shon Mitchell, 176 car., 1,099 yds., 10 TDs  
**Receiving:** Mike Adams, 53 rec., 876 yds., 3 TDs  
**Scoring:** Phil Dawson, 13 FGs, 47 xp, 86 points  
**Punting:** Mark Schultis, 51 punts, 40.4 avg.  
**Kicking:** Phil Dawson, 13-20 FGs, 47-49 XP  
**Tackles:** Tyson King, 137, 74 solo  
**Sacks:** Tyson King, Chris Akins, 4  
**Interceptions:** Chris Carter, 6 for 146 yards

## 1996 SCHEDULE

Aug. 31	Missouri
Sept. 7	New Mexico State
Sept. 21	Notre Dame
Sept. 28	at Virginia
Oct. 5	Oklahoma State
Oct. 12	Oklahoma*
Oct. 26	at Colorado
Nov. 2	Baylor
Nov. 9	at Texas Tech
Nov. 16	at Kansas
Nov. 29	Texas A&M
	*Dallas, TX

(#) indicates number of returning starters  
**BOLD** indicates returning starters  
Number after class indicates letters won

Information provided by Bill Little, Sports Information Director.



**T**hey talked openly about winning a national championship last year.

Texas A&M players desperately wanted the college football world to take them seriously. As it turned out, however, the Aggies may have simply taken themselves too seriously.

"We forgot how to have fun," linebacker Keith Mitchell says. "We were uptight and felt the pressure. We finally loosened up and just had fun (in the Alamo Bowl victory) against Michigan. Look what happened. Now we know how to handle the pressure of being a top contender. We're going to be better, and we're going to have fun this year."

It could indeed be a fun year for the Aggies,



Calvin Collins

despite suffering major losses at the offensive skill positions. A&M enters 1996 with new starters at quarterback, both running backs, flanker and tight end. But despite the "newness," the Aggies look like the same potentially dominating bunch, especially on defense.

"A&M looks like they'll have a great defense again," says Texas Tech coach Spike Dykes. "What's new? I think they're definitely one of the teams to beat (in the Big 12)."

## quarterbacks

Four-year starter Corey Pullig, the winningest quarterback in school history, is gone. But there shouldn't be a drop-off this year. In fact, A&M's quarterback play could be better with junior transfer Brannndon Stewart.

Stewart, one of the nation's most highly regarded recruits as a senior at Stephenville (Texas) High in 1993, originally signed with Tennessee and played in 11 of the Vols' 12 games as a true freshman. But he was unable to beat out current Heisman Trophy candidate Peyton Manning and transferred to A&M following the '94 season.

Expectations among A&M fans are extremely

high for Stewart, who combines a strong arm with a tremendous ability to run and scramble.

"I think he'll do a great job at Texas A&M this year," Tennessee Coach Phillip Fulmer says. "He's a tremendous talent."

Sophomore Kevin Colon and redshirt freshmen Randy McCown and Shane Lechler will battle for the top reserve spot.

## running backs

Injuries ruined Leeland McElroy's Heisman hopes last year, but McElroy's reduced playing time opened the door for a trio of talented running backs, who played in '95 as true freshmen.

During the season, the elusive Sirr Parker and the bullish D'Andre Hardeman were often compared to former A&M greats Greg Hill and Rodney Thomas. With McElroy out of the SMU game, the two combined for over 200 yards rushing. Then in the Alamo Bowl, Parker, Hardeman and Eric Bernard showed flashes of brilliance, combining for 137 yards and a score.

"I thought those three young guys did a great job, and they have a very bright future," said Michigan coach Lloyd Carr.

Throw redshirt freshman Michael Jennings and sophomore fullback Marc Broyles into the equation, and the Aggies, though young, are solid and extremely deep in the backfield.

## receivers

A&M's passing game received a huge lift last year from junior college transfer Albert Connell, who caught 44 passes for 689 yards and seven scores. The first-team All-Southwest Conference performer has good speed and tremendous leaping ability, often making the difficult catches look routine.

"(Connell) had an outstanding year for us last season," Coach R.C. Slocum says. "I'm not sure where we would have been without him."

Sophomores Donte Hawkins and Aaron Oliver and senior Danny McCray should share time at split end with Connell at flanker. Derrick Spiller should be the main target at tight end after an impressive freshman season.

## offensive linemen

Without a doubt, A&M's line is the most experienced unit on offense. The Aggies return four starters from a year ago. Senior guard Calvin Collins, junior guard Steve McKinney, junior center Koby Hackradt and junior left tackle Chris Ruhman all return following last year's solid performance.

The lone opening along the line is at right tackle where sophomores Brandon Houston and Cameron Spikes will battle for the starting spot.

## defensive linemen

The Aggies' defensive front should be even better than it was a year ago, and it was dominating at times. All three starters, ends Brandon Mitchell and Pat Williams and nose guard







Edward Jasper, return as seniors after helping the Aggies finish third in the nation in total defense.

"We ought to be very good up front defensively if we can keep our guys healthy," Slocum says. "Brandon, Pat and Eddie did a good job for us last year, and we're expecting big things from them again." Avoiding injuries will be important, since depth is questionable.

## linebackers

As usual, Texas A&M is loaded at linebacker, returning three of four starters and several backups who made a major impact. In fact, it would be difficult to find a faster, more athletic group of blitz-happy linebackers anywhere in the country.

"I think they probably have the best linebackers in the country," Texas Tech quarterback Zebbie Lethridge says. "It seems like they're always fast and always coming after you."

In other words, it's business as usual at Linebacker U. "(Linebacker) will likely be the strong point of our team," Slocum says. "We have a lot of experience there, and we have some really big-time players."

Those big-time players include seniors Keith Mitchell and Larry Walker and sophomore Dat Nguyen, the returning starters. Sophomore Warwick Holdman will line up on the outside opposite Mitchell with Walker and Nguyen inside and juniors Trent Driver, Quinton Brown and Phillip Meyers in reserve.

## defensive backs

Texas A&M's secondary could be magnificent. It could also be mediocre. It all depends on

health. And the graduation of all-conference cornerback Ray Mickens doesn't help.

Seniors Donovan Greer and Andre Williams, who both missed spring practice due to knee rehabilitation, are strong cover cornerbacks. The safety positions are manned by returning starter Typail McMullen, a senior, and track team All-America sprinter Toya Jones, who made major contributions as a true freshman on special teams.

Sophomore Shun Horn is listed as a starter at one corner. Depth is a major concern.

## kicking game

After struggling throughout much of last season, junior Kyle Bryant finished strong, kicking five field goals against Michigan. But Bryant's unpredictability (he made just seven of 15 attempts prior to the Alamo Bowl) is a concern.

Lechler is the leading candidate at punter but has yet to punt in a game.

With McElroy gone, the primary kickoff returner will be Parker, who showed glimpses last year of the same electricity that made McElroy the most feared kickoff returner in college football. Jennings is likely to replace Mickens as the Aggies' punt returner.

## rising star

There's no substitute for speed. And that's why Texas A&M sophomore defensive back Toya Jones will no longer be a substitute player. Jones, one of the most decorated track athletes in Texas high school history (he's from Refugio), is projected to become the Aggies' starting free safety this year.



Albert Connell

PHOTO BY O'MALLEY

## final analysis

If they stay healthy, the Aggies' defense has a chance to be devastating. And if Stewart lives up to his billing, the A&M offense will certainly be more balanced than at any time recently.

A&M also should benefit from having experienced the pressure last year of being a preseason top five pick. The Aggies didn't handle it well a year ago, but they should be better because of it.

"We learned a lot last year," Slocum says. "We had some players and fans who weren't used to dealing with that kind of pressure. But our goal is to be in a position to at least contend for a national title every year. I think we're closer to reaching that goal now because of what we went through last season."



Keith Mitchell

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## ALL-TIME AGGIES 1894-1995

### Offense

WR	Tony Harrison	1990-93
WR	Bob Long	1966-68
OL	Charlie Krueger	1955-57
OL	Marshall Robnett	1938-40
OL	Chris Dausin	1991-93
OL	Joe Routt	1935-37
OL	E.S. Wilson	1916-19
QB	Kevin Murray	1983-86
RB	John David Crow	1955-57
RB	John Kimbrough	1938-40
RB	Darren Lewis	1987-90
K	Tony Franklin	1975-78

### Defense

DL	Ray Childress	1981-84
DL	Jacob Green	1977-79
DL	Sam Adams	1991-93
LB	Ed Simonini	1972-75
LB	John Roper	1985-88
LB	Marcus Buckley	1990-92
LB	Johnny Holland	1983-86
DB	Lester Hayes	1973-76
DB	Dave Elmendorf	1968-70
DB	Kevin Smith	1988-91
DB	Pat Thomas	1972-75
P	Todd Tschantz	1984-86



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**Head Coach:**  
R.C. Slocum

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	CL.	HOMETOWN
22	Bernard, Eric	RB	5-10	190	So.	Tulsa, OK
24	Bragg, Jason	DB	6-3	205	Fr.	Stephenville, TX
86	Brinkley, Darren	WR	6-1	177	So.	Belton, TX
75	Brown, Don	OL	6-5	280	So.	Houston, TX
29	Brown, Quinton	LB	6-2	226	Jr.	Corsicana, TX
33	Broyles, Marc	FB	5-11	235	So.	Tyler, TX
3	Bryant, Kyle	PK	5-7	180	Jr.	College Station, TX
81	Bumgardner, Matt	WR	6-2	185	Fr.	Luling, TX
82	Campbell, Daniel	TE	6-6	252	So.	Glen Rose, TX
48	Coady, Rich	DB	6-1	198	So.	Dallas, TX
54	Collins, Calvin	OL	6-3	290	Sr.	Beaumont, TX
8	Colon, Chris	LB	6-3	240	Sr.	Deer Park, TX
5	Colon, Kevin	QB	6-3	179	So.	Deer Park, TX
80	Connell, Albert	WR	6-2	180	Sr.	Ft. Lauderdale, FL
44	Coryatt, Sean	LB	6-1	215	Fr.	Sugar Land, TX
45	Crowley, Brad	DL	6-5	258	Jr.	Corpus Christi, TX
18	Curry, Sedrick	DB	6-3	195	Fr.	Houston, TX
28	Driver, Trent	LB	6-3	222	Jr.	Cleveland, TX
36	Fisher, Chris	FB	6-2	235	Fr.	Austin, TX
77	Flegeance, Jason	OL	6-5	300	So.	St. Martinville, LA
27	Greer, Donovan	DB	5-10	178	Sr.	Alief, TX
69	Hackradt, Koby	OL	6-5	275	Jr.	Conroe, TX
20	Hardeman, D'Andre	RB	5-11	225	So.	Galena Park, TX
97	Hawkins, Donte	WR	6-1	185	So.	Round Rock, TX
37	Heard, Marcus	DL	6-3	289	Jr.	San Antonio, TX
62	Heimuli, Semisi	OL	6-3	305	Fr.	Eules, TX
88	Hodge, Leroy	WR	6-3	200	Fr.	Rosenberg, TX
79	Holder, Shea	OL-DL	6-6	265	Fr.	Arlington, TX
43	Holdman, Warrick	LB	6-1	223	So.	Alief, TX
68	Horn, Jake	OL	6-4	274	So.	Garland, TX
21	Horn, Shun	DB	5-11	182	So.	Jasper, TX
74	Houston, Brandon	OL	6-6	292	So.	Katy, TX

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	CL.	HOMETOWN
55	Irby, Jimmie	LB	6-2	225	Sr.	Los Angeles, CA
95	Jasper, Edward	DL	6-4	291	Sr.	Troup, TX
31	Jennings, Michael	RB	5-10	170	Fr.	Aurora, CO
5	Jones, Toya	DB	6-3	190	So.	Refugio, TX
92	Kazmierski, Mike	TE	6-5	236	Fr.	Bryan, TX
19	Lechler, Shane	QB-P	6-3	220	Fr.	East Bernard, TX
14	Lucas, Justin	DB	6-0	185	So.	Victoria, TX
84	Mahone, Matt	TE	6-4	237	So.	Longview, TX
98	Maxwell, David	DL	6-4	277	Jr.	Waco, TX
15	McCown, Randy	QB	6-3	190	Fr.	Jacksonville, TX
2	McCray, Danny	WR	6-0	185	Sr.	Killeen, TX
72	McKinney, Steve	OL	6-5	285	Jr.	Houston, TX
6	McMullen, Typail	DB	6-2	197	Sr.	Lubbock, TX
51	Meyers, Phillip	LB	6-1	216	Jr.	Galveston, TX
96	Mitchell, Brandon	DL	6-4	275	Sr.	Abbeville, LA
23	Mitchell, Keith	LB	6-3	223	Sr.	Garland, TX
9	Nguyen, Dat	LB	6-1	213	So.	Rockport, TX
1	Oliver, Aaron	WR	6-2	191	So.	Arlington, TX
8	Parker, Sirr	RB	6-0	180	So.	Los Angeles, CA
40	Price, Michael	DB	5-8	150	So.	Tyler, TX
91	Rollins, Zerick	DL	6-3	255	Jr.	Houston, TX
76	Ruhman, Chris	OL	6-6	290	Jr.	Houston, TX
73	Spikes, Cameron	OL	6-5	292	So.	Bryan, TX
87	Spiller, Derrick	TE	6-3	227	So.	LaMarque, TX
7	Stewart, Brannndon	QB	6-3	210	Jr.	Stephenville, TX
53	Tucker, Rex	OL	6-6	255	So.	Midland, TX
52	Vazquez, David	OL	6-3	275	So.	Alief, TX
32	Walker, Larry II	LB	6-2	231	Sr.	Rusk, TX
26	Williams, Andre	DB	5-9	176	Sr.	Sherman, TX
99	Williams, Pat	DL	6-4	275	Sr.	Monroe, LA
11	Wyatt, Sherrod	DB	6-2	189	Sr.	Dallas, TX

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NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	HOMETOWN
Alexander, Ronnie	LB	6-3	200	Shreveport, LA
Anthony, Cornelius	LB	6-1	200	Missouri City, TX
Broughton, RoDemick	TE	6-3	240	Monroe, LA
Cole, Chris	WR	6-1	178	Orange, TX
Coryatt, Sean	LB	6-1	215	Sugar Land, TX
Crenshaw, Shannon	WR	5-10	173	Austin, TX
Dudley, Adren	TE	6-5	230	Henderson, TX
Hall, Dante	RB	5-9	180	Houston, TX
Jennings, Brandon	DB	6-2	180	Houston, TX
Jennings, Eric	DB	5-11	180	Pomona, CA
McCarthy, Toby	OL	6-5	240	Midland, TX
Patton, Ronald	DB	5-10	185	Houston, TX
Thierry, Chris	LB	6-2	226	Baytown, TX
Valletta, Chris	OL	6-4	305	Piano, TX
Vincent, Andy	OL	6-4	295	Sulphur, LA
Webster, Jason	DB	5-10	165	Houston, TX
Wilson, Jeff	DB	5-10	175	Temple, TX
Wright, Delvin	DB	5-11	170	Lancaster, TX
Young, Stephen	DL	6-1	275	Jefferson, TX

## DEPTH CHART

### OFFENSE (5)

**SE** 1 Aaron Oliver (So., 1); 37 Donte Hawkins (So., 1)  
**RT** 73 Cameron Spikes (So., 1); 74 Brandon Houston (So., 1)  
**RG** 54 Calvin Collins (Sr., 3); 62 Semisi Heimuli (Fr., 0)  
**C** 69 Koby Hackradt (Jr., 2); 52 David Vazquez (So., 0)  
**LG** 72 Steve McKinney (Jr., 2); 68 Jake Horn (So., 0)  
**LT** 76 Chris Ruhman (Jr., 2); 53 Rex Tucker (So., 1)  
**TE** 87 Derrick Spiller (So., 1); 82 Daniel Campbell (So., 1)  
**FL** 80 Albert Connell (Sr., 1); 88 Leroy Hodge (Fr., 0)  
**QB** 7 Brannndon Stewart (Jr., 0); 5 Kevin Colon (So., 0)  
**RB** 20 D'Andre Hardeman (So., 1); 33 Marc Broyles (So., 1)  
**RB** 8 Sirr Parker (So., 0); 22 Eric Bernard (So., 1)  
**PK** 3 Kyle Bryant (Jr., 2)

### DEFENSE (8)

**LE** 96 Brandon Mitchell (Sr., 3); 45 Brad Crowley (Jr., 2)  
**NG** 95 Edward Jasper (Sr., 2); 91 Zerick Rollins (Jr., 1)  
**RE** 99 Pat Williams (Sr., 1); 97 Marcus Heard (Jr., 2)  
**OLB** 43 Warrick Holdman (So., 1); 51 Phillip Meyers (Jr., 2)  
**ILB** 32 Larry Walker II (Sr., 3); 28 Trent Driver (Jr., 2)  
**ILB** 9 Dat Nguyen (So., 1); 29 Quinton Brown (Jr., 2)  
**OLB** 23 Keith Mitchell (Sr., 3); 55 Jimmie Irby (Sr., 1)  
**CB** 21 Shun Horn (So., 1); 26 Andre Williams (Sr., 3)  
**FS** 5 Toya Jones (So., 1); 11 Sherrod Wyatt (Sr., 1)  
**SS** 6 Typail McMullen (Sr., 3); 48 Rich Coady (So., 1)  
**CB** 27 Donovan Greer (Sr., 3); 14 Justin Lucas (So., 0)  
**P** 19 Shane Lechler (Fr., 0)

## TOP RETURNING LEADERS

**Passing:** Kevin Colon, 3-8-47-1, 0 TDs  
**Rushing:** D'Andre Hardeman, 62 car., 313 yds., 2 TDs  
**Receiving:** Albert Connell, 41 rec., 653 yds., 7 TDs  
**Scoring:** Kyle Bryant, 7 FGs, 31 XP, 52 points  
**Punting:** None  
**Kicking:** Kyle Bryant, 7-15 FGs, 31-32 XP  
**Tackles:** Dat Nguyen, 94, 65 solo  
**Sacks:** Keith Mitchell, 13  
**Interceptions:** Andre Williams, 2 for 42 yds., 1 TD

## 1996 SCHEDULE

Aug. 24 at BYU  
 Sept. 14 at SW Louisiana  
 Sept. 21 North Texas  
 Sept. 28 Colorado  
 Oct. 5 Louisiana Tech  
 Oct. 12 at Iowa State  
 Oct. 19 Kansas State  
 Oct. 26 Texas Tech  
 Nov. 2 at Oklahoma State  
 Nov. 9 at Baylor  
 Nov. 16 Oklahoma  
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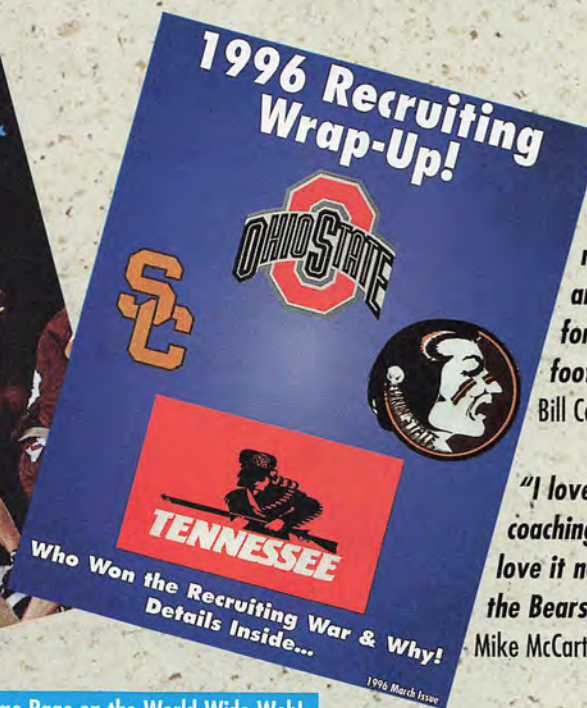
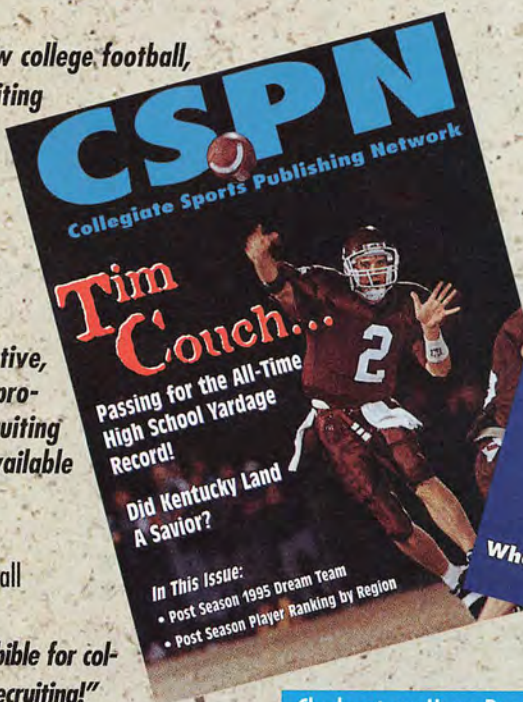
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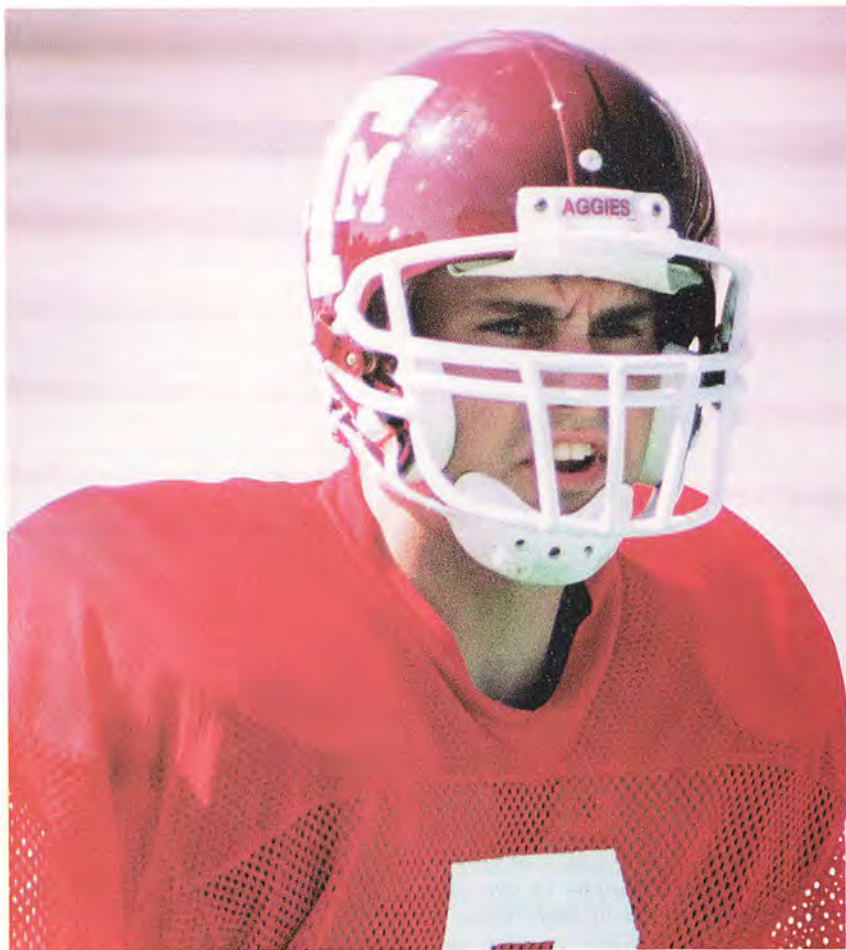
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# Brannndon Stewart



## Competitive Fire

by RUSTY BURSON

**B**ehind his rugged, Hollywood heartthrob looks and his Clint Eastwood coolness, Brannndon Stewart has a competitive fire inside him that burns as brightly as the legendary bonfire at Texas A&M.

When the Aggies' junior quarterback steps into any athletic arena, his low-key demeanor is instantly engulfed by his intense passion to play. It's most evident on the football field, but even if it's

track, tennis or tiddlywinks, Stewart has more competitive juices than Ocean Spray.

He would wrestle Hulk Hogan and expect to win. He'd tee off against Greg Norman confident of victory. And he'd race Richard Petty with no reservations.

"He's the ultimate competitor," says Stewart's high school coach, Art Briles of Stephenville (Texas) High. "No matter the situation, I've never seen him

shy away from a challenge. In fact, he seeks challenges."

Indeed, challenges light a fire under Stewart with the ferocity of taking a blow torch to a gasoline truck. He lives for the toughest tests. That's the primary reason he chose to attend the University of Tennessee after a spectacular All-America high school career that culminated in Stephenville's winning the 1993 Texas Class 4A state championship.

Sure, he knew fellow prep phenom Peyton Manning, the son of former Ole Miss Rebels and New Orleans Saints quarterback Archie Manning, was signing with the Volunteers. And after receiving as many as 30 recruiting calls a day from coaches across the country, Stewart knew he could have received red carpet treatment from virtually any other major college program that mattered.

Instead, he signed with the Vols. Stewart's parents say he was partly enticed by the mountains and the mild climate of Tennessee. But primarily, he loved the idea of a man-to-Manning battle to determine who really was the best quarterback prospect in the country.

"Brannndon Stewart wasn't worried about Peyton Manning," says UAB coach Watson Brown, who recruited both players while he was the offensive coordinator at Oklahoma. "He (believed) he could beat out anybody."

Stewart (6-3, 210) definitely has the talent and toughness to beat out most any quarterback in the country. But he was unable to win the highly publicized, often controversial battle with Manning during their freshman season.

Although both freshmen were comparable in talent, Tennessee head coach Phillip Fulmer said then, as now, that Manning simply "had a better grasp of the offense than Stewart."

Still, when Stewart did step onto the field — he played in 11 of the Vols' 12 games in 1994 — he usually seemed to grasp the concept of the offense quite well. Against Vanderbilt, for example, Stewart merely went 7-for-7 for 116 yards. And when Manning appeared to be rattled in the first half of the Alabama game, Stewart entered and instantly revived Tennessee's lethargic offense with his passing and scrambling.

Stewart engineered the Vols' initial scoring drive just before halftime to pull Tennessee to a 3-3 tie. Then he was pulled. Fulmer inserted Manning back into the lineup to start the third quarter, and Stewart never took a snap in the second half as Tennessee lost, 17-13.

"That was definitely the straw that broke the camel's back for Brannndon," says Redge Stewart, Brannndon's father. "I've never seen him that mad. Everybody in that stadium thought he would start the second half. Brannndon was fuming."

"To me, it was all about marketability. Peyton is a good quarterback. He's not any better than Brannndon, but college sports is a business, and Peyton was more marketable because of his name, who his father was. I think Brannndon realized that after the Alabama game, and he started thinking

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that transferring might be his best option."

Stewart bit his tongue at the time, hoping things would eventually get better, and played second-fiddle to Manning the rest of the season. But the image of the Alabama game lingered in his mind.

At the end of the year, he officially announced that Tennessee's mountains and mild climate weren't enough to keep him around. His competitive fire simply couldn't take standing on the sidelines, especially when he believed he had earned the right to play.

Today, the strong-armed, strong-willed Stewart looks back on his time at Tennessee with few regrets and no hard feelings.

"I still talk to Peyton and some of my other friends at Tennessee whenever I get a chance," Stewart says. "But I'm glad to be (at Texas A&M). I wanted an opportunity to become the starting quarterback at Texas A&M, and I know I've got that chance now. I've put (Tennessee) behind me. It's time to move on."

It may be time to move on, but it's unlikely that the comparisons between Stewart and Manning will ever cease. They're forever tied together even though their college careers have gone in vastly different directions.

Manning terrorized Southeastern Conference defenses last year, establishing himself as one of the leading Heisman Trophy candidates this season. Meanwhile, Stewart spent last season running the Aggies' scout team after losing a year of eligibility following the transfer.

Nevertheless, there is still considerable debate — even among some Tennessee fans — about who is the better quarterback. Stewart has far more mobility. Manning is more of a pure dropback passer. Both have pro potential. And both have a tremendous presence on the field.

It's a tough call. Not even Fulmer sounds completely convinced.

"I think both those youngsters pushed each other while they were here and developed because of their competition," Fulmer says. "There's no question in my mind that Peyton is one of the premier quarterbacks in the country now, because he has continued to develop. He also had a fabulous sophomore year.

"I don't know how much Brannan has developed since he left here, but they're both tremendous talents. Honestly, I think they'll both do a great job this year. The way they handled the situation here made them stronger individuals and better players. It was tough for everyone involved, but I believe things were handled extremely well."

After watching Manning shine during his sophomore season, many college football fans became familiar with his impressive skills. Because of the frequent comparisons between Manning and Stewart, there is now a tendency among well-meaning but possibly overenthusiastic A&M fans to assume Stewart will be at least as good — or darn near close — as Manning, despite sitting out last year.

So, while Stewart left the mountains of Tennessee behind, he now faces a mountain of massive expectations in the flatlands of College Station.

Some Aggie fans have called him the next Bucky

Richardson, but with a much better arm. Others have cast him as the second coming of Kevin Murray, but with healthy legs. (Murray quarterbacked the prolific Aggie offenses of the mid-'80s.) Scouts and opposing coaches have compared him to numerous past or present NFL quarterbacks.

And Briles, who watched Stewart pass for 2,558 yards and 26 touchdowns and rush for another 1,516 yards and 21 scores as a high school senior, says: "I expect him to be a Heisman Trophy candidate after his first year (at A&M). I expect him to lead the Aggies to a Big 12 championship and possibly a national championship. He's that good."



**His stormy year at Tennessee behind him, Brannan Stewart hopes to live up to the lofty expectations of A&M fans.**

He may be, but after watching Leeland McElroy's Heisman hopes quickly crumble last year, conservative Texas A&M coach R.C. Slocum is concerned about burdening Stewart with such enormous expectations and pressures.

The equally conservative Stewart, however, is not. He senses the fans' expectations, but doesn't feel the pressure. At least not from anyone but himself.

"Pressure, to me, is really nothing more than a compliment," Stewart says. "If people expect so much from me, that means they must think very highly of me. Besides, nobody could ever put as much pressure on me as I put on myself.

"I do expect to be successful, and the fact that other people are expecting the same thing doesn't bother me. I've prepared for this all my life, and I know I can do it."

La Marque (Texas) High School coach Alan Weddell, a member of the University of Texas' 1969 national championship team, is also convinced of Stewart's ability. Weddell, whose team lost to Stephenville 26-13 in the 1993 state title game, called Stewart the most complete high school quarterback he had ever seen.

"(In high school) he was a man among boys as far as his athletic ability is concerned," Weddell says. "And the way he refused to lose reminded me

a lot of a guy I played with at Texas, James Street. Stewart is one of those guys who always finds a way to beat you. Just like Street. I thank God that I'll never have to face him again.

"I really believe that if his father had been a legendary quarterback from the South, Brannan Stewart would be the Heisman Trophy candidate now. That was all politics, but it's worked out for A&M. I can't wait to see him play."

Some A&M fans began looking forward to watching Stewart play shortly after the Aggies lost their national championship hopes and Southwest Conference unbeaten streak in back-to-back losses to Colorado and Texas Tech early in the 1995 season.

McElroy was banged up and struggling against seven- and eight-man defensive fronts. Four-year starting quarterback Corey Pullig was unable to ignite a consistent offensive punch and was the subject of merciless criticism. In search of an offensive hero, fans began looking toward Stewart. And soon, Stewart anticipation began spreading faster than a West Texas grass fire.

That bothers Slocum. "So much has already been said and written about Brannan, and I'm worried that people might expect him to come right in here and be a finished product," he says. "I'm trying to make sure people are realistic about their expectations. Brannan is an outstanding talent, but he's a young quarterback who is going to make some mistakes along the way."

Like Slocum, Stewart refuses to get caught up in hype created by fans, scouts, coaches and the media. He classifies Briles' Heisman comment as flattering, but as something that a biased "father-like figure" might say. And regarding the fans' excitement, he says: "I think I've gotten a lot of undeserved credit. I might be a difference-maker, I might not. I think fans always want what isn't in there.

"Personally, I think Corey did a great job last year, and he held the team together. But a lot of fans couldn't — or wouldn't — see that. So, they got behind the new guy coming in, even though they probably didn't know much about me. I thought some fans were (unjustifiably) critical of Corey. I know that could happen to me, too."

It could, but the majority of people familiar with his ability doubt that there will be many reasons to be critical of Stewart. His mother, Vickie, is the leader of that majority.

Like her son, Vickie Stewart is soft-spoken but filled with a fiery competitive drive. She usually tries to suppress her parental pride and disdain for injustices against her family around strangers. But sometimes, she simply can't help herself, especially when Tennessee is mentioned.

Part of her would like to forgive and forget. The other part, however, would like nothing more than to see the Volunteers squirm. The latter side occasionally comes out.

"Boy, wouldn't it be great if Texas A&M and Tennessee did win all their games and ended up playing for the national championship?" she says with a longing, satisfied grin. "Then everybody would finally get to see who really is the best."

Until then, the debate rages on. **A**



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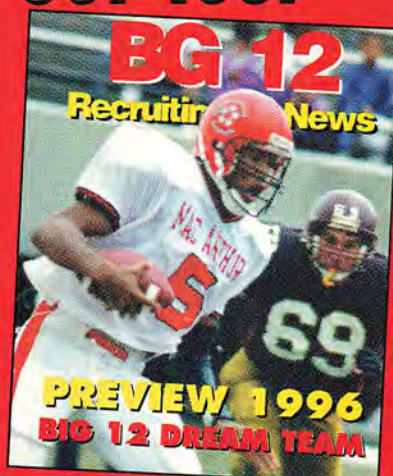
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**A**n overly enthusiastic Texas Tech fan tossed a tortilla onto the field at Jones Stadium during the Missouri game last season. No one was hurt, but it landed at the feet of the head linesman, who notified the Red Raiders' sideline that another such lapse in decorum would produce a 15-yard penalty against the home team. No more tortillas were tossed.

"They did away with that," Tech coach Spike Dykes says. "It was a cute idea to begin with, but it probably got out of hand, like everything else does. No more tortillas this season."

Even though he didn't condone such behavior, he could understand the mindset of the tor-



**Zebbie Lethridge**

tilla tossers, Dykes says. The cost of tickets to major college sports events is escalating.

"We want to charge people \$20 for a ticket, but they can't even bring a flag of a certain size in here (the stadium)," he says. "(Of course) you could cure all the ails if you had a great football team every year."

Dykes, who is beginning his 10th full season as head coach, hasn't necessarily provided Red Raider fans with "great" teams every year. But they've been good, and consistent, over the last five seasons, finishing in ties for second place in the Southwest Conference four times and first place once.

The Southwest Conference is no more, but the solid foundation Dykes has built in Lubbock remains in place.

## quarterbacks

Junior Zebbie Lethridge has been the starter since the fourth game of 1994, when he was a redshirt freshman and consensus pick as the SWC Offensive Newcomer of the Year. Already, Lethridge ranks fifth on Texas Tech's career total offense list after a sophomore season in which he completed 136-of-281 passes for 1,885 yards

and 13 touchdowns. He also ran for nine scores to lead the conference in touchdowns responsible for (passing and rushing), and he set a conference record by throwing 211 consecutive passes without an interception.

## running backs

Texas Tech is promoting junior Byron Hanspard as a Heisman Trophy candidate, and with justification. Hanspard led the league in rushing with 1,374 yards, the second-highest total by a sophomore in SWC history. He rushed for 668 yards in the last three games and scored 11 touchdowns in the last 12 quarters. He ran for 260 yards and scored four touchdowns in the Copper Bowl to earn game MVP honors. Hanspard also led the Red Raiders in receiving, catching 35 passes for 474 yards and seven touchdowns, giving him a total of 18 for a team-high 108 points. In addition, "He's an excellent blocker," says Dykes.

Hanspard, an ordained Pentecostal minister, ranks among the best in an outstanding group of Big 12 Conference running backs.

The Red Raiders have virtually no experience returning at fullback. Senior Ryan Jones carried only 11 times for 58 yards.

## receivers

Dykes has considerable depth at wide receiver, where senior Field Scovell and sophomore Donnie Hart figure to start at flanker and split end respectively. In addition, sophomore split end Sheldon Bass, who led the team in receiving as a freshman in '94, returns after missing last season because of a broken collarbone.

Senior Brad Spinks moves up at tight end.

## offensive linemen

Hanspard will have a veteran line behind which to run. Four starters return, led by seniors Ben Kaufman and Casey Jones on the left side at tackle and guard, respectively. Senior Lynn Scherler started nine games last season at right tackle, but junior Chris Whitney, a two-year letterman with one start, had an outstanding spring and moved to the top of the depth chart at the position. Senior Shane Dunn is penciled in as the starter at right guard. Other fine linemen include sophomore tackle Nick Lee, sophomore guard Erik Carruth, junior guard Jayson Hansen and redshirt freshman tackle Mickey Anderson. Lee was a blocker for Hanspard at DeSoto (Texas) High School.

The top two centers return in senior Kevin Ward and junior Jay Pugh. Ward, a walk-on from Lubbock who played one season at Navarro Junior College, began as Pugh's backup a year ago but ended the season as a starter.

## defensive linemen

The Red Raiders will put up an experienced front, with sophomore Montae Reagar and





Byron Hanspard



junior Allen Wallace at the ends, junior Corey Chandler at tackle and junior Cody McGuire at nose tackle. Junior end Tony Daniels missed last season because of a knee injury suffered in a swimming accident during the summer. As a 1994 sophomore, he led the team in tackles for losses with 13. Daniels is expected to see a great deal of service and again become one of the Big 12's leading pass rushers.

Reagor was Tech's top pass rusher last season as a true freshman with seven tackles for losses and three sacks. Senior tackle Jerome Lang has the skills to be a starter if he can remain healthy.

Sophomore Cody Patton and redshirt freshman Taurus Rucker will be counted on to provide depth up front. Freshman tackle Jason Jones of Dallas could play without redshirting.

## linebackers

Two of last season's starters, including consensus All-American middle linebacker Zach Thomas, must be replaced. Senior Robert Johnson is the lone returning starter, on the strong side. He is the most experienced defender, having started 27 games during his career. Johnson was credited with 65 tackles last year of which 37 were solo. He is also opportunistic, having intercepted four passes and recovered three fumbles in the past season.

Senior Anthony Armour returns to weak-side linebacker after starting at defensive end last season. He made 55 tackles a year ago, including seven for losses.

Junior Eric Butler will try to fill the huge void Thomas' graduation left in the middle, if senior

Ryan Donahue or redshirt freshman Kyle Shipley doesn't move in. Among those expected to provide depth on the outside are sophomore Ty Ardoin and senior Adrian Roland.

## defensive backs

Senior safety, or "raider," Jody Brown has earned three letters as a backup and special teams player. Junior free safety Dane Johnson tied for third in the conference in pass interceptions with four. He returned one for 66 yards and a touchdown. Johnson and also broke up seven passes. Junior Duane Price can play any secondary spot.

Sophomore Corey Turner and redshirt freshman Oscar Soliz are among the cornerback hopefuls, as are a half-dozen incoming freshmen.

## kicking game

Tony Rogers, a junior, has been successful on 9-of-10 field goals from 40-49 yards during his career. He was 4-of-5 from that range last season and 37-of-37 on extra-point kicks. Sophomore Jaret Greaser kicked three extra points and a 46-yard field goal as Rogers' backup. Greaser also handled kickoffs for the Red Raiders.

The punting job probably won't be resolved until fall camp.

Dane Johnson ranked eighth in the nation and first in the Southwest Conference in punt returns, averaging 14.3 yards on 15 returns. He also averaged 22.7 yards on 10 kickoff returns.

## rising star

Even though he's a senior, defensive tackle Lang would qualify as his team's rising star if he could



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remain healthy. He received an injury redshirt year as a freshman early in the season. A year ago, Lang played exceptionally well (starting twice) before suffering a season-ending knee injury in the Texas A&M game. Then, he aggravated the injury in the spring.

## final analysis

The Big 12 schedule-makers didn't cut Texas Tech any slack. The Red Raiders could be very good, and yet their record might not reflect it with Nebraska, Kansas and Kansas State as inter-divisional opponents. "I don't know how we missed Colorado," Dykes says.

The Red Raiders will open at Kansas State in the first-ever Big 12 game on Aug. 31.



Dane Johnson

## ALL-TIME RED RAIDERS 1925-1995

### Offense

WR	Dave Parks	1961-63
WR	Lloyd Hill	1990-93
TE	Andre Tillman	1971-73
OL	Charles Odiorne	1986-89
OL	Phil Tucker	1965-67
OL	Jerry Walker	1952-55
OL	Bill Herchman	1954-55
OL	Dan Irons	1975-77
QB	Robert Hall	1990-93
RB	Donny Anderson	1963-65
RB	James Gray	1986-89
K	Lin Elliott	1989-91

### Defense

DL	Richard Campbell	1966, 68-69
DL	Ecomet Burley	1972-75
DL	Gabriel Rivera	1979-82
LB	E.J. Holub	1958-60
LB	Zach Thomas	1992-95
LB	Thomas Howard	1974-76
LB	Brad Hastings	1983-86
DB	Sammy Walker	1988-90
DB	Denton Fox	1967-69
DB	Tracy Saul	1989-92
DB	Ted Watts	1978-80
P	Maury Buford	1978-81



# TEXAS TECH ROSTER

**1995 Record:** 9-3-0  
**SWC Record:** 5-2-0

**Head Coach:**  
Spike Dykes

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	CL.	HOMETOWN	zzzzzNO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	CL.	
56	Abendschan, John	DT	6-2	264	Sr.	Abilene, TX	<b>HOMETOWN</b>	14	Hernandez, Jeremy	P	5-11	185	So.
94	Allamon, Kyle	TE	6-2	226	Fr.	Lubbock, TX		49	Hughes, Chris	WLB	5-11	198	So.
64	Anderson, Mickey	OT	6-3	300	Fr.	Abilene, TX		13	Johnson, Dane	FS	5-11	181	Jr.
20	Anderson, Robert	SLB	6-1	231	Sr.	Converse, TX		7	Johnson, Robert	SLB	5-11	186	Sr.
29	Ardo, Ty	SLB	6-0	185	So.	Beaumont, TX		65	Jones, Casey	OG	6-5	276	Sr.
37	Armour, Anthony	WLB	6-1	208	Sr.	Dallas, TX		43	Jones, Ryan	FB	6-2	215	Sr.
19	Ayyad, Nasser	FL	5-11	189	So.	Arlington, TX		70	Kacal, Kenny	DE	6-1	206	So.
18	Bass, Sheldon	SE	5-10	170	So.	Odessa, TX		75	Kaufman, Ben	OT	6-5	274	Sr.
28	Benefield, Mike	CB	5-9	176	So.	LaMarque, TX		76	Lang, Jerome	DT	6-3	264	Sr.
	Berg, Bob	DE	6-2	215	So.	Abilene, TX		72	Lee, Nick	OT	6-6	280	So.
	BonDurant, Joey	FB	5-11	207	Fr.	Longview, TX		8	Lethridge, Zebbie	QB	6-0	195	Jr.
23	Bownds, Reagan	FS	5-9	174	So.	Eldorado, TX		61	Lowery, Curtis	OG	6-4	300	Fr.
3	Brown, Darwin	CB	5-11	170	Fr.	Tyler, TX		84	Mashburn, Josh	TE	6-5	242	Sr.
30	Brown, Jody	S	6-0	193	Sr.	Cross Plains, TX		38	Mathews, Teddy	FB	5-10	230	So.
	Burns, Ronnie	SE	5-10	180	So.	Dallas, TX		74	McGuire, Cody	NT	6-5	269	Jr.
48	Butler, Eric	MLB	6-1	250	Jr.	Wichita Falls, TX		17	McKenzie, Malcolm	SE	6-1	191	Jr.
	Cantu, Johnny	OG	6-4	250	So.	Edinburg, TX		6	Mitchell, Stacy	FL	5-5	150	Jr.
77	Carruth, Erik	OG	6-3	270	So.	Rockport, TX		42	Morris, Sammy	FB	6-0	197	Fr.
36	Cartwright, Robby	S	6-1	185	So.	Boyd, TX		99	Patton, Cody	NT	6-5	268	So.
15	Cavazos, Sone	QB	6-1	200	Sr.	Weslaco, TX		9	Peters, Rob	QB	6-2	217	Fr.
93	Chandler, Corey	DT	6-5	252	Jr.	San Antonio, TX		53	Potter, Zac	DE	6-3	260	So.
	Cockrum, Jesse	S	6-1	178	Fr.	Goldthwaite, TX		1	Price, Duane	CB	5-11	166	Jr.
62	Collingsworth, Justin	OT	6-5	260	So.	Pampa, TX		63	Puente, Peter	FL	5-9	170	Fr.
	Cotton, Michael	FB	5-10	210	So.	LaMarque, TX		34	Rader, Jonathan	C	6-3	275	Jr.
44	Cumby, Keith	WLB	5-10	206	So.	Van, TX			Reagor, Montae	TB	5-10	198	Fr.
86	Daniels, Tony	DE	6-5	250	Jr.	Odessa, TX		51	Renda, Rudolph	FB	5-10	206	Fr.
	Dansby, Lee	FL	5-11	175	Fr.	Abilene, TX		Robinson, John	MLB	5-10	202	So.	
11	Darden, Tony	CB	6-0	180	Jr.	San Antonio, TX		Robinson, Tony	DE	6-0	220	So.	
45	Donahue, Ryan	MLB	6-2	225	Sr.	Lubbock, TX		98	Rogers, Tony	PK	5-11	175	Jr.
24	DuBuc, Matt	TB	5-8	166	Sr.	Fort Lauderdale, FL		47	Roland, Adrian	WLB	6-0	219	Sr.
42	Duffie, Tim	WLB	5-11	212	Fr.	Jefferson, TX		89	Rucker, Taurus	DE	6-0	246	Fr.
68	Dunn, Shane	OG	6-3	280	Sr.	Lubbock, TX		67	Scherler, Lynn	OT	6-4	284	Sr.
22	Ervin, Adrian	TE	5-11	193	Sr.	Houston, TX		87	Scovell, Field	FL	5-11	184	Sr.
80	Fisher, Jarrod	TB	6-5	239	Fr.	Sudan, TX		52	Shipley, Kyle	MLB	6-3	225	Fr.
31	Fite, Joe	DB	5-9	162	Jr.	San Antonio, TX		28	Soliz, Oscar	CB	5-7	161	Fr.
96	Frederick, J	DE	6-3	237	Sr.	Crane, TX		85	Spinks, Brad	TE	6-4	223	Sr.
	Gray, Jonathan	OT	6-6	350	Fr.	Lubbock, TX		78	Sprouse, J.T.	C	6-2	271	Sr.
97	Greaser, Jaret	KS	5-11	176	So.	Amarillo, TX		16	Tittle, Matt	QB	6-2	201	So.
50	Haddon, Robert	OG	6-3	268	So.	Eules, TX		21	Turner, Corey	CB	5-8	162	So.
69	Hancock, Aaron	NT	6-2	274	Jr.	Alvord, TX		54	Wallace, Allen	DE	6-0	232	Jr.
60	Hansen, Jayson	OG	6-4	300	Jr.	Kelowna, B.C.		57	Ward, Kevin	C	6-1	259	Sr.
4	Hanspard, Byron	TB	6-0	190	Jr.	DeSoto, TX			Ward, Kraig	TE	6-1	220	Fr.
82	Hart, Donnie	SE	6-0	184	So.	Wolfthorpe, TX		66	Whitney, Chris	OT	6-3	285	Jr.
88	Hayes, Phillip	SE	6-0	170	Fr.	Carrollton, TX			Winn, Tim	TE	6-3	213	Fr.
5	Haywood, Kenny	CB	5-8	165	Sr.	San Jose, CA							

## 1996 SIGNEES

NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	HOMETOWN
Baker, Tim	WR	6-5	195	Borger, TX
Caught 51 passes for 925 yds. and eight TDs as junior; injured during his senior year.				
Carr, Shaun	RB-DB	5-9	175	Sweetwater, TX
All-State by Associated Press; All-South Plains Player of the Year; rushed for 2,279 yds. and 28 TDs on 296 carries as a senior.				
Easterling, James	RB-DB	5-11	190	Crowley, TX
All-city; All-District 6-5A.				
Giddens, Brian	CB	5-10	170	Tyler, TX
All-East Texas; All-District 13-5A; had three ints. and caught 18 passes for 563 yds. and four TDs as a senior.				
Grant, Chad	RB	6-1	225	Lubbock, TX
Led district with 1,367 yds. rushing and 13 TDs as senior.				
Hawkins, Jonathan	RB-LB	5-11	208	Wichita Falls, TX
Versatile athlete was District 5-5A Defensive Player of the Year.				
Henderson, Mike	OLB	6-0	200	Floydada, TX
All-Western Junior College Conference at New Mexico Military JC.				
Hill, Harland	FB	5-11	195	Cedar Hill, TX
Dallas News Area Top 100; rushed for 1,374 yds. (9.9 avg.) and 16 TDs as a senior.				
Hunter, Rickey	RB-DB	5-11	180	Dallas, TX
Dallas Morning News Area Top 100; rushed for 1,683 yds. and 17 TDs last fall.				
Johnson, Anthony	WR	6-2	170	Lubbock, TX
Dallas Morning News and Houston Chronicle Top 100; District 3-5A Offensive Player of the Year; caught 36 passes for 656 yds. and 12 TDs last fall.				
Jones, Jason	DT	6-2	275	Dallas, TX
Dallas Morning News and Houston Chronicle Top 100; credited with 28 tackles and three QB sacks as a senior.				
Malouf, Rory	OL	6-4	245	Levelland, TX
All-District 5-4A with a 4.0 GPA.				
McFadden, Steve	OL	6-5	272	Houston, TX
Houston Chronicle and Dallas Morning News Top 100; did not allow a QB sack last two years as left tackle.				
Patton, Terry	TE	6-3	270	Wichita Falls, TX
Lubbock Avalanche-Journal Top 100; All-Red River 22 by Wichita Falls Record.				
Pharies, Chet	QB-FS	6-2	195	Clovis, NM
Gatorade Player of the Year in New Mexico; all-state; ran for 500 yds. and passed for 600 as a senior.				
Robertson, Clint	RB	6-1	190	Dallas, TX
Dallas Morning News and Houston Chronicle Top 100; rushed for 2,076 yds. and 26 TDs last season.				
Smith, Chad	OL	6-3	265	Denison, TX
First-team All-Texoma; first-team District 7-4A; league MVP as a senior.				
Toliver, Duane	DE-K	6-3	215	Knox City, TX
All-Big Country; had 61 tackles, including 15 for losses and four QB sacks, last fall.				
Washington, Mark	CB	6-0	175	Sweeny, TX
3A All-State; all-county QB; All-District 24-3A; intercepted 13 passes during three-year starting career.				
Williams, LaQuency	RB-DB	5-8	174	Odessa, TX
All-Permian Basin; All-West Texas; All-District 4-5A; rushed for 1,284 yds. and 13 TDs on 178 carries last season.				

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### OFFENSE (8)

TE	85	Brad Spinks (Sr., 3); 84 Mashburn, Josh (Sr., 0)
LT	75	Ben Kaufman (Sr., 3); 72 Nick Lee (So., 1)
LG	65	Casey Jones (Sr., 2); 60 Jayson Hansen (Jr., 0)
C	57	Kevin Ward (Sr., 1); 63 Jay Pugh (Jr., 2)
RG	68	Shane Dunn (Sr., 2); 77 Erik Carruth (So., 0)
RT	66	Chris Whitney (Jr., 2); 67 Lynn Scherler (Sr., 2)
FL	87	Field Scovell (Sr., 2); 6 Stacy Mitchell (Jr., 2)
SE	82	Donnie Hart (So., 1); 18 Sheldon Bass (So., 1)
QB	8	Zebbie Lethridge (Jr., 2); 15 Sone Cavazos (Sr., 2)
IB	4	Byron Hanspard (Jr., 2); 22 Adrian Ervin (Sr., 1)
FB	43	Ryan Jones (Sr., 1); 42 Sammy Morris (Fr., 0)
PK	98	Tony Rogers (Jr., 2)

### DEFENSE (6)

LE	34	Montae Reagor (So., 1); 89 Taurus Rucker (Fr., 0)
DT	93	Corey Chandler (Jr., 2); 76 Jerome Lang (Sr., 2)
NT	74	Cody McGuire (Jr., 2); 99 Cody Patton (So., 1)
RE	54	Allen Wallace (Jr., 1); 86 Tony Daniels (Jr., 2)
SLB	7	Robert Johnson (Sr., 3); 29 Ty Ardo (So., 1)
MLB	48	Eric Butler (Jr., 2); 45 Ryan Donahue (Sr., 3)
WLB	37	Anthony Armour (Sr., 3); 47 Adrian Roland (Sr., 0)
S	30	Jody Brown (Sr., 3); 36 Robby Cartwright (So., 0)
RCB	21	Corey Turner (So., 1); 1 Duane Price (Jr., 1)
LCB	28	Oscar Soliz (Fr., 0); 11 Tony Darden (Jr., 2)
FS	13	Dane Johnson (Jr., 2); 23 Reagan Bownds (So., 1)
P	14	Jeremy Hernandez (So., 0)

## TOP RETURNING LEADERS

**Passing:** Zebbie Lethridge, 136-281-1885-6, 13 TDs  
**Rushing:** Byron Hanspard, 248 car., 1374 yds., 11 TDs  
**Receiving:** Byron Hanspard, 35 rec., 474 yds., 7 TDs  
**Scoring:** Byron Hanspard, 18 TDs, 108 points  
**Punting:** None  
**Kicking:** Tony Rogers, 11-17 FGs, 37-37 XP  
**Tackles:** Robert Johnson, 65, 37 solo  
**Sacks:** Anthony Armour, Montae Reagor, 3  
**Interceptions:** Dane Johnson, 4 for 105 yds., 1 TD

## 1996 SCHEDULE

Aug. 31	at Kansas State
Sept. 7	Oklahoma State*
Sept. 21	at Georgia
Sept. 28	Utah State
Oct. 5	Baylor
Oct. 12	at Kansas
Oct. 19	Nebraska
Oct. 26	at Texas A&M
Nov. 9	Texas
Nov. 16	SW Louisiana
Nov. 23	at Oklahoma
	*Irving, TX

(#) indicates number of returning starters  
**BOLD** indicates returning starters  
 Number after class indicates letters won



**A** new era has begun for University of Houston athletics.

With the Southwest Conference officially defunct, Cougar teams will now compete in Conference USA, one of America's eight all-sports equity conferences (as approved during this past January's NCAA Convention).

Originally, the school had hoped it would be a part of the newly formed Big 12, a combination of the eight universities of the former Big Eight plus Baylor, Texas, Texas A&M and Texas Tech of the Southwest Conference. However, when plans for the Big 12 were finalized in mid-1994, Houston was excluded, as were fellow SWC members Rice, SMU and TCU. All four



**Charles West**

were invited to join what would become a 16-team Western Athletic Conference, but only the latter three did so.

C-USA, a league characterized by urban commuter universities with impressive men's basketball programs and solid football tradition, was formed soon thereafter by the presidents at Cincinnati, Houston, Louisville, Memphis, Southern Mississippi and Tulane. Later, UAB, DePaul, Marquette, UNC Charlotte, Saint Louis and South Florida were added. Helping in the process was Charles Neinas, executive director of the influential College Football Association.

"Houston and the other five schools wanted to continue to field viable football programs," Neinas says. "Conference USA will give them that opportunity."

Cougar coach Kim Helton enters his fourth season at Houston knowing his program is best-suited, at least for the present, to compete in C-USA.

"I feel Conference USA can be one of the country's finest football conferences," Helton says. "There are various reasons (C-USA programs) are not perceived as high-profile, but

there are some good football programs in this league. We played Cincinnati three years ago, and I couldn't see any difference physically between them and Michigan, which we had played a few weeks earlier."

In addition to Cincinnati, Houston will battle Louisville, Memphis, Southern Mississippi and Tulane for C-USA's first football crown and the right to represent the league in the Liberty Bowl. C-USA members UAB, a Division I-AA football newcomer, and Tampa-based South Florida, which will field a I-AA program in 1997, are potential C-USA gridiron additions. Army, East Carolina and Navy have been mentioned in expansion talks too.

Yes, Houston football fans will miss being aligned with Baylor, Texas, Texas A&M and Texas Tech. Helton is optimistic, however.

"We recruit kids based on our (overall) schedule as opposed to our conference (schedule alone)," says Helton, who adds that if C-USA expands its football membership, he would prefer a six-game (and seven-game maximum) league slate.

"The current five-game conference schedule will allow us to play USC, LSU, Pittsburgh and North Carolina this season," the coach says.

## quarterbacks

Senior Chuck Clements connected on 245-of-437 passes (56.1 percent) for 2,641 yards (240.1 yards per game) and 15 touchdowns. He was the main reason the Cougar passing attack, ranked 29th nationally, outperformed aerial attacks of their foes (117 first downs via the pass to 109, and 2,671 passing yards to 2,518). Clement finished the campaign ranked 21st nationally in total offense.

## running backs

Bruising senior tailback Antowain Smith gained 608 yards on 152 attempts (4.0 yards per carry) while adding five scores. Junior Jay McGuire (223 yards) is a solid backup, as is senior Jermaine Williams (141 yards), who can also relieve starting fullback Bryant Henderson (179 yards), a senior.

With Houston being outrushed 226.2 yards to 105.5 yards per game, Helton addressed the problem by signing Ketric Sanford, a top-rated back who chose the Cougars over Baylor, Texas, TCU and Texas A&M.

## receivers

Larkay James is gone. Now the top Cougar wideout is senior H-back Charles West, who totaled 548 yards on 50 receptions (a number that tied him with James). Freshmen Kenneth Davis and Jerrian James arrive with notable credentials and should play significantly.

Sophomore H-back Robbie Wheeler (387 yards), senior split end Damion Johnson (377 yards) and redshirt sophomore flanker Jason deGroot are competent.

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Sophomores Rodney Griffin and Jonathan Dennis split time at tight end and combined for 11 catches and 88 yards last fall.

## offensive linemen

Junior center Ben Fricke anchors the Cougar offensive front. He will be joined by senior left tackle Marcus Spriggs, sophomore left guard Greg Brown, sophomore right guard Wilbert Brown and freshman right tackle Justin Stille.

## defensive linemen

Sophomore Ahmard Charles (19 tackles) and Rusty Foster (31) toiled at end last fall. Solid players both, they will need to elevate their play if Houston is to improve its rush defense. Freshman Adriano Belli (6-6, 246) should receive minutes.

Five players will battle for time at the tackle and nose guard spots. They are returnees Leonta Rheams (40 tackles), a junior tackle, and Gary Haynes (38), a senior nose guard, and newcomers Patterson Owens, a junior college transfer, freshman Marcus Sanders and junior college transfer Antoine Simpson, who comes well-regarded. At 6-3, 315 pounds, he will cause foes trouble.

## linebackers

Junior Mike Parker (team-high 107 tackles, seven for losses) keys the Cougar linebacking unit. Junior Chad Shaw (39 tackles), junior Reggie Davis and senior James Reddish, since moved to strong safety, all played considerably. Former junior college standout Vaughn Washington, a middle linebacker, will make an impact.

## defensive backs

The lone secondary returnee is junior cornerback Thomathan Good (55 tackles), who may be unseated by sophomore Stedmon Forman. Senior cornerback Delmonico Montgomery played in only four games but totaled 21 tackles. The free safety opposite Reddish is expected to be sophomore DeKeithron Callicoate.

Junior college transfers Damon Harris and Devon Pender, and freshmen Corey Bradshaw and Marcus Smith will vie for time. Harris could start at the strong safety spot. Bradshaw was recruited by Florida, Oklahoma, Texas, Texas A&M and Texas Tech.

## kicking game

Junior Sebastian Villarreal connected on 19-of-20 extra points for the low-scoring (Houston was outpointed 360-188) Cougar offense. The punter is sophomore Ignacio Saucedo (38.9-yard average).

Nine Cougars returned at least one kickoff, combining for 1,008 return yards and a 20.2-yards-per-return average. The punt returner is West (13 returns for a modest 7.5-yard average).

## rising star

A former juco star, Washington enjoyed an outstanding spring for the Cougars. The Overton, Texas, native could easily begin the year as a starter at middle linebacker.

## final analysis

Compared to recent Houston recruiting groups, this collection of Cougar newcomers is a



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blockbuster, clearly the best of the C-USA programs. No fewer than 13 signees were heavily recruited by major schools.

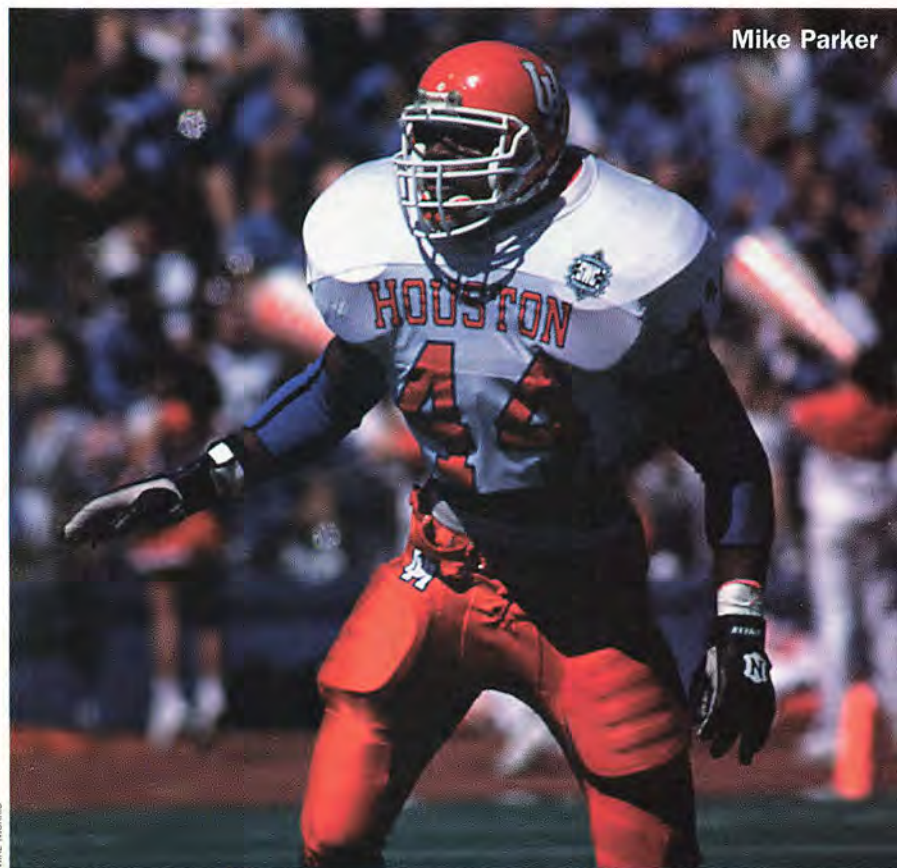
"Many of our newcomers will have to play," Helton says.

However, the first-year Cougars will have to play well if the team hopes to post the school's first winning record since 1990, when Houston finished 10-1 and in the Top 15 of both The Associated Press and CNN/USA TODAY polls.

After last year's 2-9 record, Helton might settle for six wins. The Cougars made strides in that direction by beating a competitive Rice team 18-17 in the last game of the year.

"Anytime you end with a victory, it gives you great momentum," Helton says.

Mike Parker



## ALL-TIME COUGARS 1946-1995

### Offense

WR	Jason Phillips	1987-88
WR	Elmo Wright	1968-70
TE	Riley Odoms	1969-71
OL	Melvin Jones	1976-79
OL	Rich Stotter	1965-67
OL	Chuck Brown	1976-78
OL	Bill Bridges	1968-69
OL	Joey Banes	1986-89
QB	Andre Ware	1987-89
RB	Robert Newhouse	1969-71
RB	Chuck Weatherspoon	1987-90
K	Roman Anderson	1988-91

### Defense

DL	Wilson Whitley	1973-76
DL	J.D. Kimmel	1952
DL	Hosea Taylor	1977-80
DL	Leonard Mitchell	1977-80
LB	Lamar Lathon	1987-89
LB	David Hodge	1975-76, 78-79
LB	Eugene Lockhart	1981-83
DB	Cornelius Price	1988-89
DB	Johnny Jackson	1986-88
DB	Anthony Francis	1975-77
DB	Audrey McMillian	1980-84
P	Ken Hebert	1965-67



# HOUSTON ROSTER

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**SWC Record:** 2-5-0

**Head Coach:**  
Kim Helton

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74	Brown, Wilbert	OG	6-1	285	So.	Hooks, TX	9	McGuire, Jay	TB	5-8	194	Jr.	Silsbee, TX
26	Burton, Ryan	FB	5-10	212	Jr.	Richardson, TX	64	Medford, Jeff	C	6-4	269	Fr.	Lufkin, TX
8	Callicottee, Dekeithron	DB	6-2	208	So.	Dallas, TX	14	Montgomery, Delmonico	CB	5-11	183	Sr.	Gladewater, TX
94	Carroll, Mike	TE	6-1	225	So.	Sugar Land, TX	81	Mouton, Joey	WR	5-10	184	Sr.	Port Arthur, TX
70	Chadwell, Corky	OG	6-1	276	Fr.	Deer Park, TX	20	Nelson, Garrett	WR	6-0	152	Fr.	Houston, TX
50	Charles, Ahmard	DE	6-2	214	So.	Cleveland, TX	55	Novosad, Truett	OG	6-0	282	Fr.	College Station, TX
12	Clements, Chuck	LB	6-3	200	Sr.	Huntsville, TX	8	Odell, Glenn	QB	6-2	179	Fr.	Stephenville, TX
49	Davis, Reggie	LB	6-1	239	Jr.	Duncanville, TX	44	Parker, Mike	LB	6-1	216	Jr.	Houston, TX
13	Dawoudi, Jamal	OL	6-2	273	Jr.	Aurora, CO	12	Pharms, Damian	SS	5-10	159	Jr.	Houston, TX
58	deGroot, Jason	FL	5-10	187	So.	Santa Fe, TX	1	Reddish, James	SS	6-0	213	Sr.	St. Petersburg, FL
84	Dennis, Jonathan	TE	6-2	260	So.	Pensacola, FL	21	Regimbald, Scott	TE	6-2	207	Fr.	Pointe Claire, PQ
80	DeRouselle, Mike	DE	6-2	281	Fr.	Houston, TX	75	Rheams, Leonta	DT	6-2	272	Jr.	Tyler, TX
85	Edwards, Richard	WR	5-10	191	So.	Houston, TX	45	Rhone, Stanley	RB	5-7	196	Fr.	Silsbee, TX
19	Evans, Quince	WR	5-10	173	Jr.	Dallas, TX	77	Roberts, David	OT	6-5	294	Sr.	Austin, TX
46	Fields, Delondo	DT	5-11	268	Jr.	Garland, TX	50	Roberts, Kirby	LB	5-11	199	Fr.	Missouri City, TX
25	Fisher, Freddie	LB	6-0	213	So.	Cleveland, TX	43	Roper, Larry	DT	6-1	255	Fr.	Arlington, TX
24	Forman, Stedmon	DE	5-9	197	So.	Garland, TX	8	Russel, Tyrek	RB	5-9	188	Fr.	Houston, TX
93	Foster, Rusty	DE	6-2	246	Jr.	Garland, TX	29	Sai, Edwin	CB	5-9	178	Jr.	College Station, TX
66	Fricke, Ben	C	6-0	277	Jr.	Austin, TX	4	Sauceda, Ignacio	P-PK	5-10	211	So.	Harlingen, TX
95	Fuller, Mike	TE	6-3	246	Jr.	Deer Park, TX	86	Shakir, Tanik	WR	5-8	153	Jr.	Houston, TX
53	Gaines, George	LB	6-0	217	Fr.	Austin, TX	55	Shaw, Chad	LB	6-1	222	Jr.	Ft. Worth, TX
65	Gamble, Chris	OL	6-1	255	Fr.	Humble, TX	23	Smith, Antowain	TB	6-2	224	Sr.	Millbrook, AL
98	Gillaspay, Joey	DE	6-2	241	Jr.	Sugar Land, TX	7	Smith, Mike	CB	5-11	178	So.	De Land, FL
37	Good, Thomathan	CB	5-11	197	Jr.	Clute, TX	15	Spellins, Andy	WR	5-8	167	Fr.	Katy, TX
60	Grice, Allen	LB	6-0	228	Fr.	San Leon, TX	29	Spencer, Halley	FL	5-9	170	Fr.	Houston, TX
83	Griffin, Rodney	TE	6-3	260	So.	Friendswood, TX	79	Spriggs, Marcus	OT	6-3	295	Sr.	Byram, MS
47	Hampton, Louis	DE	6-2	227	So.	Killeen, TX	78	Stille, Justin	OT	6-3	285	Fr.	San Antonio, TX
16	Handy, Craig	SS	6-0	201	Jr.	Houston, TX	4	Travis, Carrell	DB	5-8	159	Fr.	Houston, TX
38	Hardeman, Cedric	FS	5-10	201	So.	Houston, TX	97	Villarreal, Sebastian	PK-P	5-9	168	Jr.	Katy, TX
91	Haynes, Gary	DT	6-0	300	Sr.	Palacios, TX	10	Walker, Damon	DB	5-8	190	Fr.	Burkburnett, TX
15	Helton, Tyson	QB	6-2	176	Fr.	Sugar Land, TX	51	Washington, Vaughn	LB	6-2	237	Jr.	Overton, TX
33	Henderson, Bryant	FB	5-10	218	Sr.	Lincolnton, GA	6	West, Charles	FL	5-9	185	Sr.	Killeen, TX
63	Holeman, Chadwick	LB	5-10	195	Fr.	Sugar Land, TX	2	Wheeler, Robbie	HB	5-10	173	So.	Ft. Walton Beach, FL
32	Howell, William	WR-DB	5-6	177	Fr.	Dallas, TX	63	Wheeler, Wayne	OL	6-1	265	Sr.	Topeka, KS
31	Hussein, Mamum	RB	5-10	208	So.	Houston, TX	34	Williams, Jermaine	TB	6-0	228	Sr.	Greenville, NC
30	Jannah, Azan	WR	5-7	170	So.	Port Arthur, TX	28	Woloson, Eric	SS	6-1	195	Jr.	Houston, TX
69	Johnson, Charles	OL	6-3	300	Fr.	Tuscaloosa, AL	41	Woodberry, Anthony	DE	6-4	196	Jr.	Texarkana, AR

## 1996 SIGNEES

NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	HOMETOWN
Baker, Lau Rance	OL	6-6	320	Orlando, FL
All-state; All-Central Florida.				
Belli, Adriano	DE	6-6	246	Toronto, ON
Missed five games with illness in 1995.				
Bradshaw, Corey	DB	6-1	195	Mesquite, TX
Originally committed to Houston last year but did not qualify; BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American in 1994.				
Davis, Kenneth	WR	6-0	190	Houston, TX
Parade All-American; SuperPrep All-Region; Dallas Morning News Top 100; Houston Chronicle Top 100; caught 27 passes for 620 yds. and eight TDs.				
Fields, William	DB	5-10	175	Copperas Cove, TX
All-state; all-district; made over 100 tackles and eight ints. the past two seasons.				
Harris, Damon	DB	6-2	205	Lawton, OK
Played last fall for NE Oklahoma JC.				
Hendrickson, Ryan	OL	6-5	315	Arlington, TX
BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American; Dallas Morning News Top 100.				
James, Jerrian	WR	6-1	185	Galveston, TX
BLUECHIP Illustrated All-American; Houston Chronicle Top 100; SuperPrep All-Region; Dallas Morning News Top 100; as a senior caught 75 passes for 1,045 yds. and nine TDs.				
Jordan, Charlie	LB	6-0	227	Niceville, FL
All-Area Defensive Player of the Year; SuperPrep All-Region; made 129 tackles his senior year.				
Knepper, Mike	OL-DL	6-2	260	Garland, TX
District 12-5A Defensive Player of the Year; Dallas Morning News All-Area.				
Ledbetter, Malik	DB	5-10	180	Corsicana, TX
All-state; Dallas Morning News All-Area; Houston Chronicle Top 100; picked off 18 passes in his career; made 135 tackles as a senior.				

## DEPTH CHART

### OFFENSE (8)

WR	18	Damion Johnson (Sr., 2); 85 Richard Edwards (So., 1)
LT	79	Marcus Spriggs (Sr., 1); 69 Charles Johnson (Fr., 0)
LG	68	Greg Brown (So., 1); 70 Corky Chadwell (Fr., 0)
C	66	Ben Fricke (Jr., 2); 64 Jeff Medford (Fr., 0)
RG	74	Wilbert Brown (So., 1); 55 Truett Novosad (Fr., 0)
RT	78	Justin Stille (Fr., 0); 58 Jamal Dawoudi (Jr., 0)
TE	83	Rodney Griffin (So., 1); 84 Jonathan Dennis (So., 1)
HB	6	Charles West (Sr., 3); 2 Robbie Wheeler (So., 1)
FL	13	Jason deGroot (So., 1); 29 Halley Spencer (Fr., 0)
QB	12	Chuck Clements (Sr., 3); 15 Tyson Helton (Fr., 0)
TB	23	Antowain Smith (Sr., 1); 34 Jermaine Williams (Sr., 2)
PK	97	Sebastian Villarreal (Jr., 1)

### DEFENSE (8)

LE	93	Rusty Foster (Jr., 2); 80 Michael DeRouselle (Fr., 0)
NT	91	Gary Haynes (Sr., 1); 73 Jeff Mathews (So., 1)
DT	75	Leonta Rheams (Jr., 2); 43 Larry Roper (Fr., 0)
RE	50	Ahmard Charles (So., 1); 47 Louis Hampton (So., 1)
SLB	49	Reggie Davis (Jr., 1); 42 Jason Brown (Jr., 1)
MLB	55	Chad Shaw (Jr., 2); 51 Vaughn Washington (Jr., 0)
WLB	44	Mike Parker (Jr., 2); 25 Freddie Fisher (So., 1)
LCB	14	Delmonico Montgomery (Sr., 2); 7 Mike Smith (So., 0)
SS	1	James Reddish (Sr., 1); 28 Eric Woloson (Jr., 2)
FS	8	Dekeithron Callicottee (So., 0); 10 Tyrus Lacey (Fr., 0)
RCB	24	Stedmon Forman (So., 1); 37 Thomathan Good (Jr., 2)
P	4	Ignacio Saucedo (So., 1)

## TOP RETURNING LEADERS

**Passing:** Chuck Clements, 245-437-11, 15 TDs  
**Rushing:** Antowain Smith, 152 car., 608 yds., 5 TDs  
**Receiving:** Charles West, 50 rec., 548 yds., 2 TDs  
**Scoring:** Sebastian Villarreal, 4 FGs, 19 XP, 31 points  
**Punting:** Ignacio Saucedo, 72 punts, 38.9 avg.  
**Kicking:** Sebastian Villarreal, 4-8 FGs, 19-20 XP  
**Tackles:** Mike Parker, 107, 61 solo  
**Sacks:** Reggie Davis, 3  
**Interceptions:** James Reddish, 1 for 78 yards, 1 TD

## 1996 SCHEDULE

Aug. 31	Sam Houston
Sept. 7	at LSU
Sept. 14	at Pittsburgh
Sept. 21	Southern California
Oct. 5	at SW Louisiana
Oct. 12	Memphis
Oct. 19	at Cincinnati
Oct. 26	North Carolina
Nov. 2	at Tulane
Nov. 9	Southern Miss
Nov. 16	Louisville

Lovely, Josh	OL	6-3	316	Midfield, TX
All-state; All-District 28-2A; all-county.				
Malone, Micah	LB	6-2	205	Clute, TX
All-county; all-district; led the team with 112 tackles as a senior.				
McKinley, Jason	QB	6-3	200	Austin, TX
Threw for over 2,300 yds. as a senior.				
Owens, Patterson	DL	6-6	265	Mobile, AL
Credited with 26 tackles last season for Hinds (MS) CC.				
Pender, Devon	DB	6-0	180	Chapel Hill, TX
Made 61 tackles and six ints. last fall for Trinity Valley (TX) CC.				
Regimbald, Scott	TE	6-2	215	Montreal, PQ
All-conference; made 19 catches for 405 yds. as a senior.				
Sanders, Marcus	DL	6-5	250	Mesquite, TX
Dallas Morning News Defensive Player of the Year; credited with 58 total tackles and 15 QB sacks as a senior.				
Sanford, Ketric	RB	5-10	135	Corsicana, TX
The 1995 Associated Press 4A Offensive Player of the Year; Dallas Morning News All-Area; Houston Chronicle Top 100; rushed for 34 TDs in 1995 and gained 6,762 yds. in his career.				
Simpson, Antoine	DL	6-3	315	LaPorte, TX
All-Jayhawk Conference in 1995 at Fort Scott (KS) CC.				
Smith, Marcus	DB	5-10	170	Dallas, TX
Dallas Morning News All-Area; Dallas Morning News Top 100; SuperPrep All-Region; had 142 career tackles and five ints.				
Thiebaud, Brian	QB	6-2	205	Corsicana, TX
All-district; Dallas Morning News Top 100; passed for 1,033 yds. and 11 TDs his senior year.				
Washington, Vaughn	LB	6-3	240	Overton, TX
Made 81 tackles at Kilgore (TX) JC.				
Woody, Nathan	OL	6-4	280	Waco, TX
Waco Tribune-Herald Super Centex.				

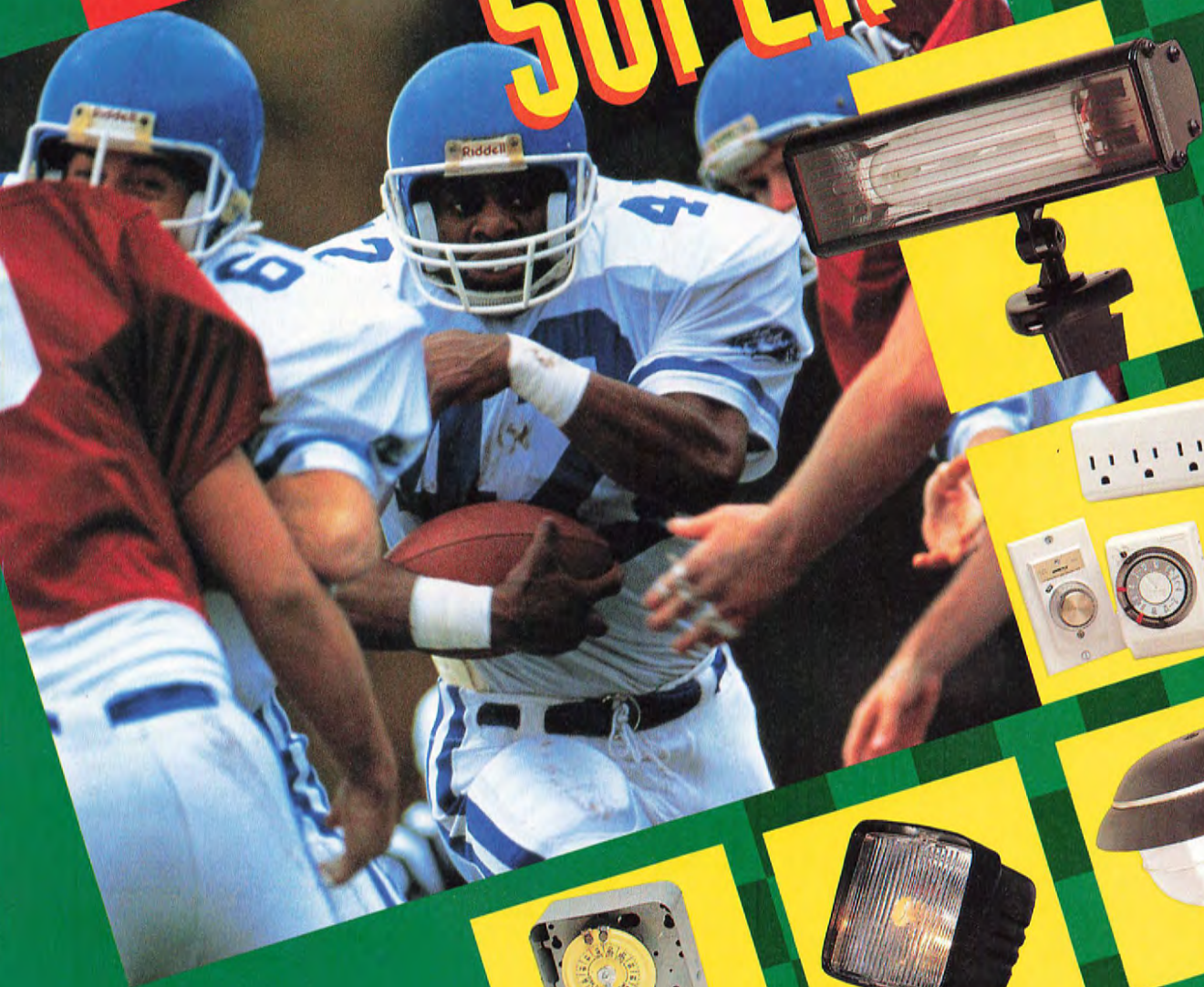
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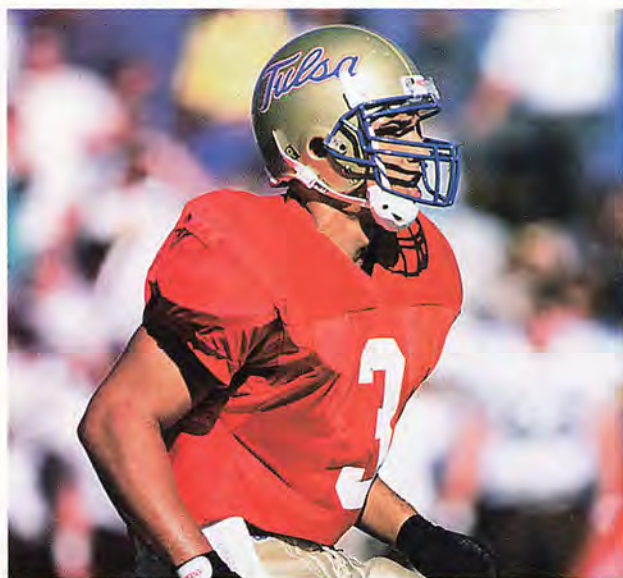
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**A**fter 10 seasons as an independent, Tulsa joins the Western Athletic Conference. Membership in the WAC is a "program-saving opportunity" for the Golden Hurricane, says Dave Rader, in his ninth season as head coach at his alma mater. "There's only one institution that can be successful as an independent (in football)," he says. That, of course, is Notre Dame.

Tulsa joins Southwest Conference refugees SMU, Texas Christian and Rice and WAC members BYU, New Mexico, Utah and UTEP in the Mountain Division of an expanded WAC. Conference affiliation gives Tulsa the needed focus of competing for a championship and will enhance its potential for television exposure.



Jeremy Bunch

Tulsa has suffered through four consecutive losing seasons since going 10-2 and winning the Freedom Bowl in 1991, and Rader would like to spruce up his team for its first WAC season. One key will be re-establishing the Golden Hurricane's passing proficiency. In fact, Tulsa will need to become more consistent on offense in general. Last season, it was feast or famine on the scoreboard. At its best, the Golden Hurricane could score quickly and often, as evidenced by its 24 points in less than six minutes in a 24-23 victory against Oklahoma State. At its worst, Tulsa had difficulty scoring at all, managing fewer than ten points in five of seven losses.

## quarterbacks

Improving the passing game is a priority. The responsibility rests on the arms of senior Troy DeGar and sophomore John Fitzgerald. DeGar was the starter last season, completing 120 of 245 passes for 1,304 yards and six touchdowns. He threw seven interceptions, however, which lowered his efficiency rating to 96.1. He'll need to reverse his touchdown-to-interception ratio in order to remain in the starting lineup.

Fitzgerald redshirted last season after starting

as a true freshman in 1994 and completing 53 percent of his passes for 1,409 yards and five touchdowns while DeGar was injured.

Tulsa's one-back, pro-set offense produced significantly more yards on the ground than through the air in 1995. Rader would like to achieve a better balance this season.

## running backs

With everyone healthy, Tulsa should have considerable depth at running back. Senior Solomon White, who emerged from the spring at No. 1, is elusive. White was hampered by injury last season, although he played in 10 games. He had six starts and rushed for 574 yards and four touchdowns on 161 carries. As a sophomore starter in '94, White rushed for 1,003 yards and scored eight touchdowns.

Sophomore Reggie Williams rushed for 729 yards but played in only seven games because of a hamstring injury. A power runner, he started four games and rushed for 150 or more yards in each. Williams, a 235-pound fireplug, suffered a dislocated hip and missed part of spring practice. The injury leaves doubt about whether he'll be at full speed this fall. He and White provide an experienced one-two punch at tailback.

Redshirt freshmen Charlie Higgins and Spencer Braggs are highly regarded, but they may find themselves in competition for playing time with prize recruit Kevin Isham, a Super-Prep All-American from Frederick, Okla., who could even push aside Williams and White. Isham rushed for more than 5,000 yards and 51 scores during his career and led Frederick High to three consecutive Class 3A state titles.

## receivers

Whether it's DeGar or Fitzgerald throwing the ball, it'll usually be junior Wes Caswell catching it, assuming he remains healthy. Caswell missed last season with a hamstring injury after ranking fifth in the nation in receptions per game (6.7) and 16th in receiving yards per game (81.2) as a sophomore starter in '94. He was Fitzgerald's favorite target, catching 74 passes for 893 yards and three touchdowns.

The rest of the receivers are inexperienced. Senior Jeff Utter and sophomore Lyndon Nixon caught five passes between them. Junior Jason Jacoby, an outstanding kick returner who started two games at safety, is now a wide receiver. Redshirt freshman Damon Savage or junior college transfer Jeremiah Brister, a 4.5 speedster, could land a starting assignment.

Junior Mark Lippe, an eight-game starter a year ago, and sophomore Tony Fisher, who started once, will share the tight end job. Junior Jason Bennett had nine starts at F-back, where senior Andrew Bates has lettered as a backup.

## offensive linemen

Four starters return in the offensive interior. Senior Brian Newnam has started for three sea-



sons, the last two at strong guard, and was chosen as Tulsa's 1995 Offensive Lineman of the Year. Senior Doug Pisula, a three-year starter at strong tackle, was moved to center during the spring.

Juniors Brad Smith and Michael Ruhl return at quick-side guard and tackle, respectively. Among the candidates to replace Pisula at strong tackle are sophomores Matt Bing and Jason Mills, both of whom lettered as backups last season.

## defensive linemen

Tulsa has lots of lettermen but only one returning starter up front: junior end Sean O'Boyle, who posted 39 tackles and six sacks. Senior Salifu Abudulai will join O'Boyle as the other end. Red-shirt freshmen Josh Martin and Carlos Hopkins are young ends who have shown potential.

Sophomore Ryan Farley played as a true freshman and appears ready to move to the next level. He will join senior Nelson Van Waes at tackle. The backups are sophomore Tim Martin, who made 36 tackles in a reserve role, and junior John Lang, who sat out last season after earning letters as a freshman and sophomore.

## linebackers

Senior middle linebacker Muadianvita Kazadi has led Golden Hurricane tacklers the last two seasons. Despite being hampered by an ankle injury, he posted 97 tackles last fall, including 19 (11 unassisted) in a 37-5 loss against Baylor. Senior weak-side linebacker Chris Fowler, a three-year letterman, was third on the team in tackles with 71. Juniors Jody Sparks and Rich Young are the leading candidates on the strong side.

## defensive backs

Tulsa has several players with starting experience in the secondary, most notably senior safety Jeremy Bunch, who was sixth nationally in interceptions with six. Bunch also broke up seven passes and finished second on the team in tackles with 85, 55 unassisted. Junior Terrance Joseph, a starting cornerback last season, has moved back to safety, where he competed during spring practice with junior Brian Self, a two-game starter in 1995. Levi Gillen, also a junior, started six games at safety.

The cornerbacks are less experienced. They include junior Earnest King, sophomore Marshall Gordon, a converted wide receiver, and redshirt freshmen Eugene Armstrong and Todd Franz.

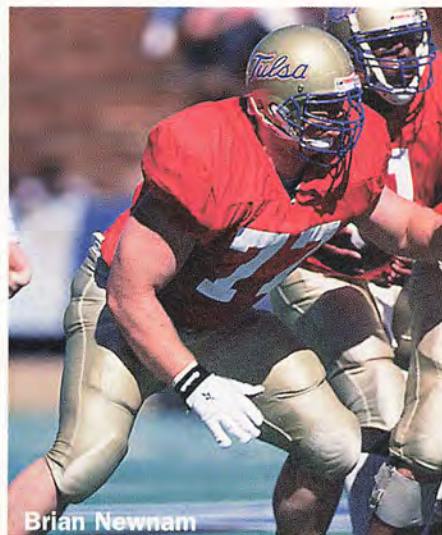
## kicking game

Junior James Anderson will be the placekicker for the third year in a row. He was 23-of-23 on extra points and 12-of-16 on field goals, including 3-of-5 from 40 yards out. Juco transfer Kirk Myrick was recruited to do the punting.

The versatile Jacoby ranked No. 20 in the nation in kickoff returns as a sophomore, averaging 23.2 yards on 25 returns. He has returned a kickoff 100 yards in each of his first two seasons. Jacoby and Self also were the top punt returners last season. Tulsa's special teams should be solid.

## rising star

Sophomore defensive tackle Ryan Farley came to Tulsa as a walk-on after Oklahoma changed its mind about giving him a scholarship out of Owasso (Okla.) High School. He has a scholarship now. Farley, a backup as a true freshman last



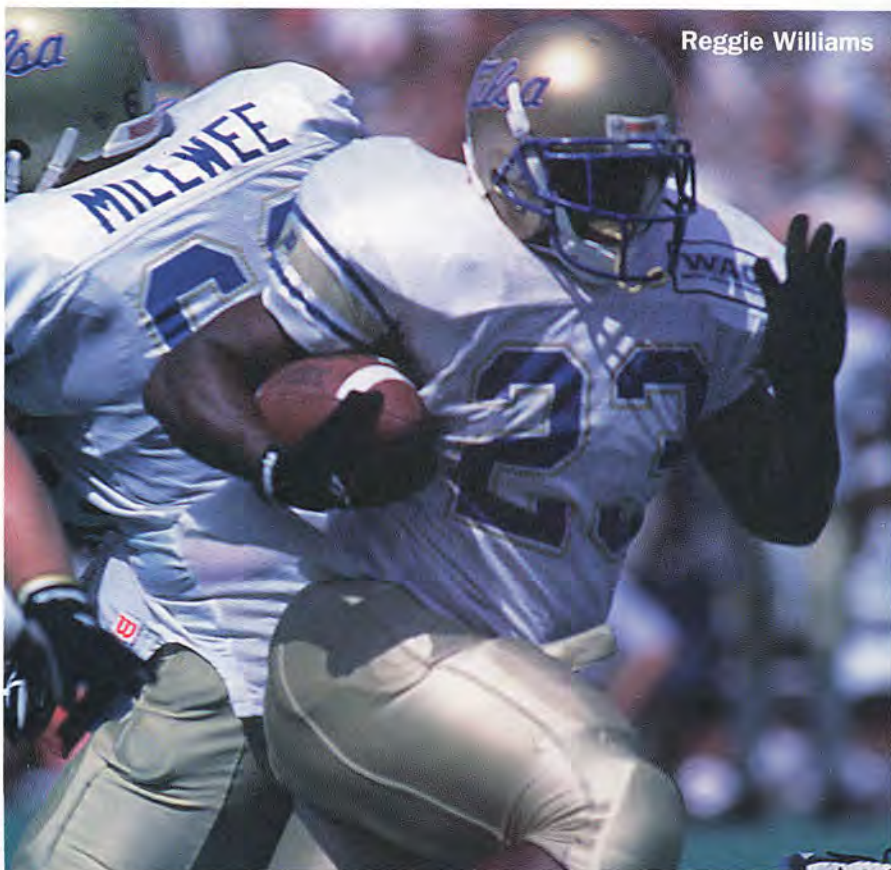
Brian Newnam

season, played in every game, making 25 tackles and recovering two fumbles.

## final analysis

"We don't have a feel of the conference yet," says Rader, "but that will come with time." Tulsa opens the WAC season on Aug. 31 against SMU before facing three challenging non-conference opponents (Oklahoma State, Iowa and Oklahoma). They then resume their conference schedule.

Rader's charges will have to defend the pass better as well as improve its own passing to be successful. Last season, opponents completed 57.4 percent of their passes for 2,478 yards and 15 touchdowns against Tulsa. Their pass efficiency rating was 134.5. That won't work in the WAC.



Reggie Williams

## ALL-TIME HURRICANE 1895-1995

### Offense

WR	Steve Largent	1973-75
WR	Howard Twilley	1963-65
TE	Marcus Hatley	1974-77
OL	Bob St. Clair	1952
OL	Jerry Ostroski	1988-91
OL	David Alexander	1983-86
OL	Felto Prewitt	1943-45
OL	Marvin Matuszak	1950-52
QB	Jerry Rhome	1963-64
RB	Micheal Gunter	1980-83
RB	Howard Waugh	1950-52
K	Jason Staurovsky	1981, 83-85

### Defense

DL	Don Blackmon	1976, 78-80
DL	Ellis Jones	1942-44
DL	Dennis Byrd	1985-88
DL	Willie Townes	1964-65
LB	Barry Minter	1989-92
LB	Al Humphrey	1972-74
LB	Tracy Scroggins	1990-91
DB	Glenn Dobbs	1940-42
DB	Drane Scrivener	1970-72
DB	Ralph McGill	1970-71
DB	Reno Hutchins	1978-81
P	Eddie Hare	1976-78



# TULSA ROSTER

1995 Record: 4-7-0

Head Coach:  
Dave Rader

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	CL.	HOMETOWN
49	Abudulai, Salifu	DE	6-2	239	Sr.	Locust Grove, OK
20	Anderson, James	PK	6-0	189	Jr.	Oklahoma City, OK
32	Armstrong, Eugene	DB	5-9	186	Fr.	Houston, TX
53	Barber, Ben	OG	6-3	253	So.	Mt. Pleasant, OK
28	Bates, Andrew	FB	6-0	236	Sr.	Clute, TX
74	Bella, Bob	DT	6-6	302	Jr.	Oak Forest, IL
34	Benear, Trey	WR	5-7	155	Fr.	Edmond, OK
47	Bennett, Jason	FB	6-3	209	Jr.	Tulsa, OK
63	Bing, Matt	OT	6-4	287	So.	Canton, OH
70	Blackburn, Blake	DE	6-0	283	So.	Catoosa, OK
48	Blackmon, Allen	LB	5-11	217	So.	Flour Bluff, TX
44	Braggs, Spencer	TB	5-7	191	Fr.	Lawton, OK
	Brister, Jeremiah	WR	6-1	180	Jr.	Felton, CA
3	Bunch, Jeremy	DB	6-0	207	Sr.	Mannford, OK
11	Caswell, Wes	WR	5-8	183	Jr.	Tulsa, OK
38	Clark, Wade	DE	5-8	186	Jr.	Broken Arrow, OK
	Como, Michael	DB	6-0	195	So.	Coatesville, PA
14	DeGard, James	QB	6-4	247	So.	Scurry, TX
1	DeGar, Troy	QB	6-1	215	Sr.	Houston, TX
15	Drake, Mark	DB	6-1	209	Sr.	Steamboat Spgs., CO
67	Farley, Ryan	DT	6-3	303	So.	Owasso, OK
95	Fisher, Tony	TE	6-2	266	So.	Fort Smith, AR
16	Fitzgerald, John	QB	6-3	220	So.	Seminole, OK
56	Fowler, Chris	LB	5-11	210	Sr.	Oklahoma City, OK
30	Franz, Todd	DB	6-1	190	Fr.	Weatherford, OK
85	Geurin, Robbie	TE	6-1	245	Fr.	Ardmore, OK
21	Gillen, Levi	DB	5-10	186	Jr.	Leoti, KS
83	Gordon, Marshall	DB	6-11	192	So.	Tulsa, OK
26	Higgins, Charlie	TB	5-9	211	Fr.	Hominy, OK
54	Hopkins, Carlos	DE	6-4	266	Fr.	Fort Smith, AR
27	Jacoby, Jason	WR	5-10	199	Jr.	Yukon, OK
62	Jett, Jimmy	C-OG	6-4	276	Fr.	College Station, TX
25	Joseph, Terrance	DB	6-2	218	Jr.	Midwest City, OK
55	Kazadi, Muadianvita	LB	6-2	236	Sr.	Newton, KS
4	King, Earnest	DB	6-0	180	Jr.	Jackson, MS
35	Ladner, Asher	DB	5-11	194	So.	N. Richland Hills, TX
73	Lang, John	DT	6-3	276	Jr.	Marlow, OK
43	LeCrone, Andrew	LB	6-3	210	Fr.	Downers Grove, IL
80	Lippe, Mark	TE	6-2	262	Jr.	Wyandotte, OK

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	CL.	HOMETOWN
84	Martin, Josh	DE	6-4	254	Fr.	Tulsa, OK
96	Martin, Tim	DT	6-4	272	So.	Claremore, OK
37	McClure, Jeremy	LB	6-2	228	Fr.	Tahlequah, OK
68	Mills, Jason	OT	6-5	291	So.	Topeka, KS
22	Mosley, John	WR	5-9	206	So.	Moore, OK
57	Muther, Pete	LB	6-2	238	Fr.	Leawood, KS
	Myrick, Kirk	P	6-1	201	Jr.	Poplarville, MS
77	Newnam, Brian	OG	6-4	292	Sr.	Stroud, OK
2	Nixon, Lyndon	WR	5-11	185	So.	Grand Prairie, TX
	Nordstrom, Derek	PK	6-0	196	Fr.	Minnetonka, MN
98	O'Boyle, Sean	DE	6-7	261	Jr.	Midwest City, OK
58	Parsons, Randall	LB	6-0	241	Sr.	Tulsa, OK
59	Patterson, Jay	TE	6-3	238	Jr.	Jenks, OK
29	Pell, Adonis	DB	5-11	201	So.	Mooreland, OK
39	Perry, Donald	LB	5-11	196	So.	Sugar Land, TX
61	Pisula, Doug	C	6-3	288	Sr.	Mt. Pleasant, PA
51	Pollan, Brian	C-OG	6-3	283	So.	Grove, OK
75	Poskon, Drew	OT	6-4	281	Sr.	Elizabeth, PA
90	Potts, Andy	DT	6-6	275	Fr.	Moore, OK
72	Ragusa, Nick	DT	6-5	337	Jr.	Joliet, IL
78	Ratica, Anthony	OT	6-5	285	Fr.	Greensburg, PA
94	Reich, Justin	DE	6-2	240	Jr.	Okmulgee, OK
79	Ruhl, Michael	OT	6-7	280	Jr.	Lititz, PA
86	Savage, Damon	WR	5-10	190	Fr.	Tulsa, OK
97	Schopfer, Hank	DT	6-2	244	Sr.	Kingwood, TX
6	Self, Brian	DB	5-11	199	Jr.	Norman, OK
41	Sendker, Brian	PK	6-0	183	Sr.	Dallas, TX
40	Smith, Anthony	WR	5-5	157	Sr.	Dallas, TX
52	Smith, Brad	OG	6-2	282	Jr.	Moore, OK
7	Smith, Carlous	DB	5-9	170	Sr.	Houston, TX
82	Smith, Jerrold	WR	5-11	188	Fr.	Webster, TX
24	Sparks, Jody	LB	6-4	227	Jr.	Yukon, OK
9	Utter, Jeff	WR	6-1	181	Sr.	Tulsa, OK
99	Van Waes, Nelson	DT	6-4	284	Sr.	Calgary, AB
71	Weeks, Bobby	OT	6-6	316	Fr.	Westchester, PA
8	White, Solomon	TB	5-8	189	Sr.	Sugar Land, TX
76	Whitworth, Neil	DE	6-4	235	So.	Frederick, OK
23	Williams, Reggie	TB	5-10	235	So.	Blytheville, AR
	Young, Rich	LB	6-0	231	Jr.	Glendale, AZ

## 1996 SIGNEES

**NAME POS. HT. WT. HOMETOWN**  
**Brister, Jeremiah** WR 6-3 205 Felton, CA  
 Caught 51 passes for 781 yds. and nine TDs as a sophomore at Cabrillo (CA) CC.

**Brown, Corey** DB-WR 6-1 170 Lone Grove, OK  
 3A All-State; caught 22 passes for 366 yds. and two TDs last season.

**Bundage, Jason** FB 6-2 216 Conroe, TX  
 Caught 15 passes for 175 yds. as a senior.

**Crawford, Jason** DL 6-6 305 Delaware, OK  
 Was credited with 75 tackles during his senior campaign.

**Farley, Shon** LB 6-0 196 Tulsa, OK  
 District 6A-3 first team; Tulsa World All-State.

**Isham, Kevin** TB 6-1 212 Frederick, OK  
 SuperPrep All-American; Tulsa World All-State; rushed for 5,036 yds. and 51 TDs in his career.

**Johnson, Clay** LB 6-1 216 Frederick, OK  
 Daily Oklahoman "Red Chip" List; Tulsa World All-State; was credited with 160 tackles as a senior.

**Johnson, Frankie** DB 5-11 170 Edmond, OK  
 Credited with 26 tackles, two fumble recoveries and one int. as a senior.

**Jones, Greg** OL 6-4 280 Kittanning, PA  
 All-conference.

**Lusk, Sedrick** DB-WR 5-11 170 Lancaster, TX  
 Dallas Morning News Top 100.

**Lyon, Jake** TE 6-3 230 Lindsay, OK  
 Daily Oklahoman All-State; selected as the District Receiver of the Year as a senior.

**McConnell, Neal** OL 6-3 317 Butler, PA  
 Two-year letter winner and starter at offensive tackle.

**Myrick, Kirk** P 6-1 200 Poplarville, MS  
 Had 39 punts for a 40.4 average last fall for Pearl River (MS) JC.

**Odom, Chris** DE 6-3 230 Poteau, OK  
 Daily Oklahoman All-State; Daily Oklahoman "Red Chip"; credited with 205 tackles as a senior.

**Peterson, Shannon** DL 6-7 283 Adair, OK  
 District 2A-7 Defensive Lineman of the Year; Tulsa World All-State; collected 55 tackles as a senior.

**Schiller, Steve** OL 6-5 275 Gibsonia, PA  
 All-area; all-conference.

**Walker, Leon** LB 6-0 210 Broken Arrow, OK  
 Tulsa World All-Metro; credited with 130 tackles as a senior.

**Wall, Michael** QB 6-4 195 Washington, PA  
 Completed 58 percent of his passes for 1,129 yds. and five TDs as a senior.

**Webb, Tanya II** OL 6-4 308 Tulsa, OK  
 Played offensive line his senior season.

**Wilson, Rodney** DB-WR 6-0 170 Fenton, CA  
 All-District; District 12-2A Player of the Year; rushed for 1,428 yds. with 18 TDs during his senior campaign.

**Young, Rich** OLB 6-1 220 Glendale, AZ  
 Was credited with 104 tackles as a sophomore at Glendale CC.

## DEPTH CHART

### OFFENSE (8)

WR 86 Damon Savage (Fr., 0); Jeremiah Brister (Jr., 0)  
 QT 79 Michael Ruhl (Jr., 2); 78 Anthony Ratica (Fr., 0)  
 QG 52 Brad Smith (Jr., 1); 51 Brian Pollan (So., 0)  
 C 61 Doug Pisula (Sr., 3); 51 Brian Pollan (So., 0)  
 SG 77 Brian Newnam (Sr., 3); 53 Ben Barber (So., 0)  
 ST 63 Matt Bing (So., 1); 68 Jason Mills (So., 1)  
 TE 80 Mark Lippe (Jr., 2); 95 Tony Fisher (So., 1)  
 QB 1 Troy DeGar (Sr., 2); 16 John Fitzgerald (So., 1)  
 TB 8 Solomon White (Sr., 3); 23 Reggie Williams (So., 1)  
 FB 47 Jason Bennett (Jr., 2); 28 Andrew Bates (Sr., 3)  
 WR 11 Wes Caswell (Jr., 2); 9 Jeff Utter (Sr., 2)  
 PK 20 James Anderson (Jr., 2)

### DEFENSE (6)

DE 49 Salifu Abudulai (Sr., 3); 94 Justin Reich (Jr., 2)  
 DT 67 Ryan Farley (So., 1); 73 John Lang (Jr., 2)  
 DT 99 Nelson Van Waes (Sr., 2); 96 Tim Martin (So., 1)  
 DE 98 Sean O'Boyle (Jr., 2); 76 Neil Whitworth (So., 1)  
 WLB 56 Chris Fowler (Sr., 3); 48 Allen Blackmon (So., 1)  
 MLB 55 Muadianvita Kazadi (Sr., 3); 37 Jeremy McClure (Fr., 0)  
 SLB 24 Jody Sparks (Jr., 1); Rich Young (Jr., 0)  
 CB 4 Earnest King (Jr., 0); 32 Eugene Armstrong (Fr., 0)  
 S 6 Brian Self (Jr., 2); 25 Terrance Joseph (Jr., 2)  
 S 3 Jeremy Bunch (Sr., 3); 21 Levi Gillen (Jr., 1)  
 CB 83 Marshall Gordon (So., 1); 30 Todd Franz (Fr., 0)  
 P Kirk Myrick (Jr., 0)

## TOP RETURNING LEADERS

**Passing:** Troy DeGar, 120-245-1304-7, 6 TDs  
**Rushing:** Reggie Williams, 144 car., 729 yds., 4 TDs  
**Receiving:** Mark Lippe, 11 rec., 137 yds.  
**Scoring:** James Anderson, 12 FGs, 23 XP, 59 points  
**Punting:** None  
**Kicking:** James Anderson, 12-16 FGs, 23-23 XP  
**Tackles:** Muadianvita Kazadi, 97, 48 solo  
**Sacks:** Sean O'Boyle, 6  
**Interceptions:** Jeremy Bunch, 6 for 76 yds., 1 TD

## 1996 SCHEDULE

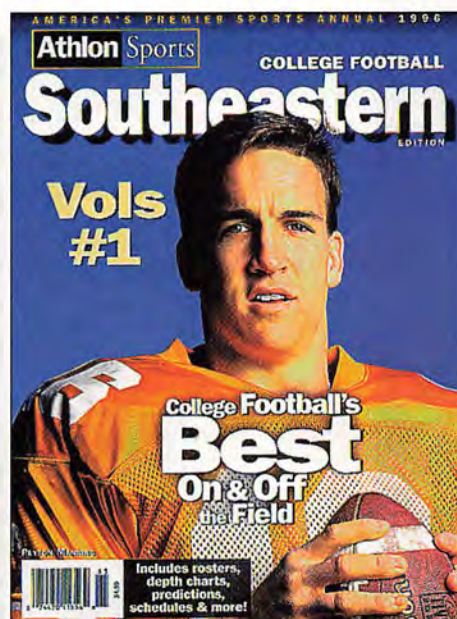
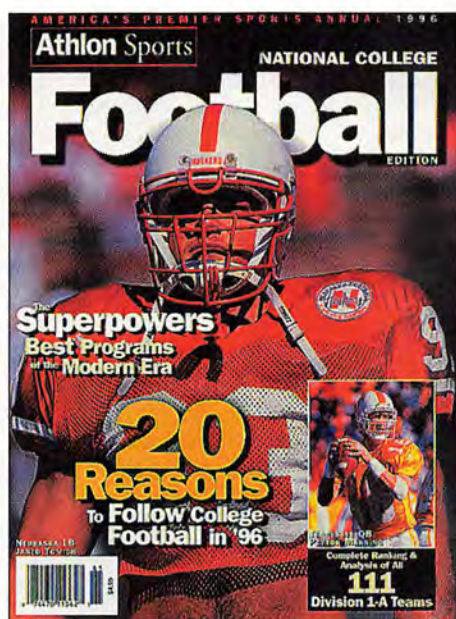
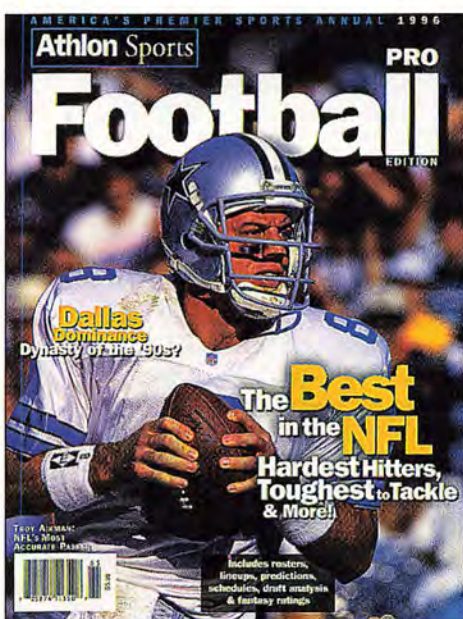
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 Sept. 21 Iowa  
 Sept. 28 at Oklahoma  
 Oct. 12 Colorado State  
 Oct. 19 BYU  
 Oct. 26 at Utah  
 Nov. 2 New Mexico  
 Nov. 9 TCU  
 Nov. 16 at UTEP  
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**B**eginning his 11th season at Notre Dame, coach Lou Holtz has a new contract, a new offense and the same old challenge: to win the national championship.

Nothing less than No. 1 satisfies Fighting Irish fans, and after dropping out of the national championship picture early in each of the last two seasons, Holtz will have a slew of experienced players in key positions to make a serious run.

There are problem areas, to be sure, besides the fact that six of the teams on Notre Dame's schedule have the week off before facing the Irish. The wide receiver corps is bereft of game-breaking ability with the departure of Derrick Mayes, the defensive secondary must be rebuilt and the

broken collarbone, then he broke his left (non-throwing) arm late last season and didn't play in the Orange Bowl, when Holtz unveiled a four- and five-receiver offensive set. Because of his continuing recovery, Powlus was restricted to light throwing and non-contact drills in spring practice but relishes the more wide-open style.

"I love that stuff," he says. "The quick passing game with three, four, five receivers. I ran it four years in high school, and I think it will help us be very successful."

The status of senior Tom Krug, who stepped in for Powlus for the last 1½ games of '95 and the Orange Bowl, is uncertain. A fused vertebrae was discovered in Krug's neck during the off-season, and his career might be over. Sophomore Jarious Jackson may be the man when Holtz wants to run the option.

## running backs

The Irish are deep and experienced and, despite Holtz's promise to put the ball in the air, will continue to grind it out from the I-formation. Senior Marc Edwards, a blue-collar fullback who was second on the team in both rushing and pass receiving, should get able backup help from 250-pound sophomore Jamie Spencer.

Senior tailback Randy Kinder was Notre Dame's leading ground gainer the last two seasons, but Autry Denson, who was good enough as a freshman to merit four starting assignments, is the most exciting runner at tailback. Senior Robert Farmer missed most of '95 with a knee injury but rushed for a team-leading 93 yards in a 31-26 loss to Florida State in the Orange Bowl.

## receivers

The lack of proven receivers is "acute," according to Holtz, "because we have absolutely nobody that we know of that you can go to who has big-play capability."

Of the wideouts returning, only senior Emmett Mosley has substantial experience with 28 career catches. Seniors Cikai Champion and Scott Sollmann have the only game receptions among the other candidates, a list that includes junior Malcolm Johnson and sophomores Bobby Brown and Hunter Smith, the punter. Help could come from the recruits, particularly Raki Nelson, who was a member of several prep All-America teams.

The good news comes from the return of tight end Pete Chryplewicz, who opted to use his fifth year of eligibility to enhance his status in next year's NFL draft.

## offensive linemen

Notre Dame lost starting guards Ryan Leahy and Dusty Zeigler from an offensive line that helped the Irish post a 4.5-yard rushing average, but aggressive recruiting in recent years makes this area a team strength. Notre Dame returns four players with starting experience. Senior Chris Clevenger had shoulder surgery in the off-season but will be back at left tackle, pushed



Marc Edwards

kicking game is still unproven. But Holtz will have strength where it counts: up front on both sides of the ball and in the offensive backfield.

"This is probably the most optimistic I have been in a while," says Holtz, who is coming off successive 6-5-1 and 9-3 campaigns since blowing the 1993 national title in the season finale.

## quarterbacks

All eyes will be on Ron Powlus. The onetime wunderkind is a senior now and must overcome injuries and the outrageous expectations he faced when he entered Notre Dame. The latter is curious since Powlus holds the school single-season record for touchdown passes and needs only 11 more this year to break Rick Mirer's career mark. But the greatness of Notre Dame quarterbacks lies in national championships, which leaves Powlus hoping that this season might be his and the team's year.

"The seniors here, as freshmen, were on the brink of a national championship, but we've not really done anything since," he says. "That's the ultimate goal and that's the only goal here — 10-1 isn't good enough."

Powlus missed his freshman season due to a







by 297-pound sophomore Tim Ridder, who received virtually all the reps in spring practice. Senior Mike Doughty returns at right tackle. Senior Jeremy Akers missed some time because of injuries last season but will start at left guard, and sophomore Mike Rosenthal, who started three games as a freshman, will be at right guard. Senior Rick Kaczinski is back at center.

## defensive linemen

Bob Davie's defense finally has some numbers to play with, and its front seven could be among the best in the country. The only defensive regular gone from up front is nose guard Paul Grismanis, and he will be replaced by fifth-year senior David Quist. Renaldo Wynn, Notre Dame's most consistent defensive performer last season, also returns for a fifth year at end. At the other end will be senior Melvin Dansby, who missed all of 1995 with a neck injury but has big-play ability.

Senior Alton Maiden and untested sophomore Antwon Jones back up Quist in the middle. Senior Darnell Smith, juniors Corey Bennett, who started in Dansby's stead last year and added some needed bulk in the off-season, and Kurt Belisle, and sophomores Shelton Jordan and Lamont Bryant are reinforcements at the end positions. And don't forget a pair of 1995 *Parade* and *USA TODAY* first-team high school All-Americans: Brad Williams of Orange, Calif., and Jason Ching of Honolulu.

## linebackers

The Irish return all four starters, including Lyron Cobbins, who led the team in tackles (105), interceptions (five, all in the last four reg-

ular-season games) and fumble recoveries (three). Also back is second-leading tackler Kinnon Tatum on the inside. Both are seniors, as is Bert Berry, who has been switched from drop to rush outside linebacker, a more natural position for the budding sack artist. The drop side will now be manned by sophomore Kory Minor, who made an impact as a freshman at rush end, and battle-hardened junior John McLaughlin.

## defensive backs

The Achilles heel of the Irish defense is the secondary, where three starters have graduated. Junior Allen Rossum, the team's fastest player, is the only returning starter and will build on his learning experience at cornerback. Junior Ivory Covington, famous for his game-saving goal-line tackle in the Army game, will be in the other corner. Little-used junior Ty Goode and never-used sophomore Shannon Stephens are the backups.

Junior Jarvis Edison, who played just 10 minutes last season, is expected to start at free safety, while strong safety is up for grabs between untested sophomores Benny Guilbeaux and A'Jani Sanders.

## kicking game

Smith, the aforementioned wide receiver, averaged just 36 yards per punt, and Holtz is still looking for a placekicker after Kevin Kopka was inconsistent. Both were freshmen last year. Holtz hopes a consistent kicker will emerge from a group including Kopka, junior Scott Cengia and new recruit Jim Sanson of Scottsdale, Ariz. Mosley and Rossum are the return men.



Lyron Cobbins

## rising star

Switched from pass rusher to drop linebacker, Minor worked himself into a starting role as a true freshman and could develop into an impact player this season. His field vision and his heady and mature outlook could make him a standout.

## final analysis

The Irish have their best chance since 1993 to compete for a national championship if three things occur: Powlus must stay healthy; a sure-handed receiver, if not a game-breaker, must emerge from a group of inexperienced candidates; and the front seven on defense must control the run and put pressure on the passer while an untested secondary learns the ropes.



Mike Doughty

## ALL-TIME TEAM 1887-1995

### Offense

WR	Tom Gatewood	1969-71
WR	Tim Brown	1984-87
TE	Leon Hart	1946-49
OL	George Kunz	1966-68
OL	Jack Cannon	1927-29
OL	Jerry Groom	1948-50
OL	Bill Fischer	1945-48
OL	Aaron Taylor	1990-93
QB	Johnny Lujack	1943, 46-47
RB	George Gipp	1917-20
RB	Johnny Lattner	1951-53
K	John Carney	1983-86

### Defense

DL	Bob Dove	1940-42
DL	Chris Zorich	1988-90
DL	George Connor	1946-47
DL	Ross Browner	1973, 1975-77
LB	Jim Lynch	1964-66
LB	Bob Crable	1978-81
DB	Elmer Layden	1922-24
DB	Tom McDonald	1961-63
DB	Nick Rassas	1963-65
DB	Luther Bradley	1973, 75-77
P	Craig Hentrich	1989-92



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76	Akers, Jeremy	OG	6-6	300	Sr.	Washington D.C.	20	Kopka, Kevin	K	5-7	196	So.	Hollywood, FL
41	Babey, Joe	ILB	6-2	222	Sr.	Louisville, KY	11	Krug, Tom	QB	6-5	205	Sr.	Los Gatos, CA
28	Barry, Ken	FB	6-0	224	Jr.	Berkeley, MO	59	Kunz, Matthew	SS	6-1	216	Jr.	Las Vegas, NV
61	Beeler, John	ILB	6-0	229	Jr.	Jacksonville, FL	42	Maiden, Alton	NG	6-4	271	Sr.	Dallas, TX
56	Belisle, Kurt	DE	6-3	251	Jr.	Bradley, IL	45	McCarthy, Chris	PK	5-11	213	Jr.	Arlington, VA
95	Bennett, Corey	DL	6-1	251	Jr.	Doraville, GA	17	McKenna, Mark	QB	5-8	194	Sr.	Hinsdale, IL
13	Berry, Bert	OLB	6-3	245	Sr.	Humble, TX	33	McLaughlin, John	OLB	6-4	236	Jr.	Valencia, CA
82	Brown, Bobby	SE	6-3	185	So.	Lauderhill, FL	4	Minor, Kory	OLB	6-2	235	So.	LaVerne, CA
53	Bryant, Lamont	DE	6-4	253	So.	Georgetown, SC	47	Mitoulas, Bill	ILB	6-1	229	Jr.	Toronto, PQ
58	Burgdorf, Mike	TE	6-1	222	Sr.	Sparta, NJ	5	Mosley, Emmett	FL	5-8	184	Sr.	Aurora, CO
40	Carretta, Kevin	TE	6-1	239	Sr.	Fort Wayne, IN	52	Mueller, Alex	OG	6-6	275	So.	Ellicott City, MD
12	Cengia, Scott	PK-K	5-10	180	Jr.	Melbourne, FL	94	Orr, Justin	WR	6-2	235	Sr.	Minooka, IL
89	Cerasani, John	TE	6-4	258	So.	Schaumburg, IL	35	Palumbo, Scott	P	5-11	189	Sr.	Phoenix, AZ
18	Champion, Cikai	SE	5-10	183	Sr.	Tyler, TX	50	Payne, David	OL	6-1	284	So.	Baltimore, MD
98	Chryplewicz, Pete	TE	6-5	265	Sr.	Sterling Heights, MI	10	Perona, Mike	QB	6-2	197	Sr.	Peru, IL
75	Clevenger, Chris	OT	6-8	290	Sr.	Wichita, KS	54	Petitgout, Luke	TE	6-6	285	Jr.	Georgetown, DE
6	Cobbins, Lyron	ILB	6-0	246	Sr.	Kansas City, KS	35	Phelps, Robert	CB	6-0	185	Sr.	N. Richland Hills, TX
14	Covington, Ivory	CB	5-10	168	Jr.	Decatur, GA	3	Powlus, Ron	QB	6-2	222	Sr.	Berwick, PA
51	Dansby, Melvin	DL	6-4	288	Sr.	Birmingham, AL	69	Quist, David	NG	6-5	290	Sr.	Boulder, CO
23	Denson, Autry	TB	5-10	189	So.	Lauderhill, FL	70	Ridder, Tim	OT	6-7	297	So.	Omaha, NE
86	Denvir, Mike	TE	6-4	246	Sr.	Hinsdale, IL	97	Redder, Corey	OLB	6-0	226	Jr.	Forestville, MD
73	Doughty, Mike	OT	6-8	313	Sr.	Elko, MN	15	Rogers, Paul	QB	6-2	220	Sr.	Santa Rosa, CA
16	Dvorak, Todd	PK-K	5-10	175	So.	Granger, IN	60	Rogers, Sean	OT	6-0	292	Sr.	Santa Rosa, CA
30	Edison, Jarvis	FB	6-4	219	Jr.	Bay City, TX	79	Rosenthal, Mike	OG	6-7	310	So.	Granger, IN
44	Edwards, Marc	FB	6-0	237	Sr.	Norwood, OH	15	Rossum, Allen	CB	5-8	178	Jr.	Dallas, TX
31	Farmer, Robert	TB	5-11	227	Sr.	Bolingbrook, IL	29	Sanders, A'Jani	DB	5-11	182	So.	Houston, TX
62	Farrell, John	C	5-10	253	Sr.	Oak Lawn, IL	16	Shingler, John	QB	6-1	231	So.	Wilmington, NC
87	Friday, Jimmy	DE	6-2	240	So.	Missouri City, TX	91	Smith, Darnell	DE	6-5	276	Sr.	Milwaukee, WI
23	Gibbs, Bill	FS	5-10	171	Sr.	River Forest, IL	8	Smith, Hunter	PWR	6-2	210	So.	Sherman, TX
24	Goode, Ty	CB	5-11	189	Jr.	Lincoln, NE	83	Sollmann, Scott	FL	5-8	159	Sr.	Cincinnati, OH
65	Griesbach, Matt	OG	6-1	258	Jr.	Tulare, CA	34	Spencer, Jamie	FB	6-0	247	So.	Monroe, LA
38	Grimm, Paul	DB	5-9	169	Jr.	Coral Springs, FL	78	Spickelmier, Jon	C	6-3	267	Jr.	Jacksonville, FL
39	Guilbeaux, Benny	SS	6-2	202	So.	Opelousas, LA	21	Stephens, Shannon	CB	5-10	179	So.	Houston, TX
27	Howard, Bobbie	ILB	5-10	228	So.	Rand, WV	12	Strayhorn, Mario	DB	6-1	210	So.	Cincinnati, OH
7	Jackson, Jarious	QB	6-1	218	So.	Tupelo, MS	2	Tatum, Kinnon	ILB	6-0	224	Sr.	Fayetteville, NC
80	Johnson, Malcolm	SE	6-5	203	Jr.	Washington DC	49	Thomas, Joe	ILB	6-2	226	So.	Dallas, TX
92	Jones, Albert	WR	5-11	183	Sr.	Mercer Island, WA	36	Wachtel, Chris	P	6-0	211	Sr.	Massillon, OH
85	Jones, Antwon	DE	6-3	258	So.	Piqua, OH	43	Wagasy, Bill	OLB	6-3	225	Sr.	Springfield, MO
55	Jordan, Shelton	DE	6-3	241	So.	Opelousas, LA	67	Wagner, John	OT	6-7	320	So.	Cheshire, CT
57	Kaczinski, Rick	C	6-4	264	Sr.	Erie, PA	71	Wisne, Jerry	OG	6-7	285	So.	Tulsa, OK
66	Kilburg, Jeff	C	6-4	283	Sr.	Park Ridge, IL	48	Wynn, Renaldo	DE	6-3	275	Sr.	Chicago, IL
25	Kinder, Randy	TB	6-1	204	Sr.	East Lansing, MI							

## 1996 SIGNEES

NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	HOMETOWN
Brennan, Matt	OL	6-5	270	Mobile, AL
Chappell, Eric	QB	6-5	220	Montgomery, AL
Ching, Jason	DL	6-4	270	Honolulu, HI
Cooper, Deke	RB	6-4	205	Evansville, IN
Dawson, Lewis	WR	6-0	180	Federal Way, WA
Ferrer, Joe	LB	6-3	230	Casselberry, FL
Gandy, Mike	TE-DE	6-4	235	Garland, TX
Goodspeed, Joey	FB-LB	6-0	230	Montgomery, IL
Harper, Deveron	WR	5-10	175	Orangeburg, SC
Hires, Leon	OL	6-6	280	Bradenton, FL
Johnson, Jay	WR	6-2	170	Starkville, MS
Jones, Jim	DL	6-4	280	Chicago Ridge, IL
Lafayette, Lee	RB-WR	5-10	188	Hopkins Park, IL
LeGree, Lance	LB	6-2	248	St. Stephen, SC
Merandi, John	OL	6-3	273	Blue Jay, CA
Mowl, Rob	OL	6-5	290	Pittsburgh, PA
Nelson, Raki	WR	6-1	178	Harrisburg, PA
Nicks, Ronnie	DB	6-1	215	Kilgore, TX
O'Leary, Dan	TE	6-5	230	Westlake, OH
Sanson, Jim	PK-K	5-11	185	Scottsdale, AZ
Scott, B.J.	DL	6-4	250	Brookville, IN
Vickers, Jay	RB	6-1	205	Tallahassee, FL
Wellington, Antoine	LB	6-2	230	Memphis, TN
Williams, Brad	DL	6-6	250	Orange, CA

## DEPTH CHART

### OFFENSE (7)

**SE** 88 Bobby Brown (So., 0); 80 Malcolm Johnson (Jr., 1)  
**LT** 75 Chris Clevenger (Sr., 2); 42 Tim Ridder (So., 0)  
**LG** 76 Jeremy Akers (Sr., 3); 71 Jerry Wisne (So., 0)  
**C** 57 Rick Kaczinski (Sr., 1); 66 Jeff Kilburg (Sr., 0)  
**RG** 79 Mike Rosenthal (So., 1); 52 Alex Mueller (So., 0)  
**RT** 73 Mike Doughty (Sr., 2); 67 John Wagner (So., 0)  
**TE** 98 Pete Chryplewicz (Sr., 3); 89 John Cerasani (So., 0)  
**FL** 5 Emmett Mosley (Sr., 2); 83 Scott Sollmann (Sr., 2)  
**QB** 3 Ron Powlus (Sr., 2); 7 Jarious Jackson (So., 0)  
**FB** 44 Marc Edwards (Sr., 3); 34 Jamie Spencer (So., 0)  
**TB** 25 Randy Kinder (Sr., 3); 31 Robert Farmer (Sr., 3)  
**PK** 20 Kevin Kopka (So., 1)

### DEFENSE (7)

**E** 48 Renaldo Wynn (Sr., 3); 56 Kurt Belisle (Jr., 1)  
**NG** 69 David Quist (Sr., 2); 42 Alton Maiden (Sr., 0)  
**T** 51 Melvin Dansby (Sr., 2); 95 Corey Bennett (Jr., 1)  
**OLB** 4 Kory Minor (So., 1); 43 Bill Wagasy (Sr., 2)  
**SAM** 6 Lyron Cobbins (Sr., 3); 41 Joe Babey (Sr., 1)  
**WILL** 2 Kinnon Tatum (Sr., 3); 27 Bobbie Howard (So., 1)  
**OLB** 13 Bert Berry (Sr., 3); 33 John McLaughlin (Jr., 2)  
**CB** 15 Allen Rossum (Jr., 2); 24 Ty Goode (Jr., 0)  
**CB** 14 Ivory Covington (Jr., 2); 21 Shannon Stephens (So., 0)  
**SS** 39 Benny Guilbeaux (So., 0); 12 Mario Strayhorn (So., 0)  
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**Passing:** Ron Powlus, 124-217-1853-7, 12 TDs  
**Rushing:** Randy Kinder, 143 car., 809 yds., 9 TDs  
**Receiving:** Marc Edwards, 25 rec., 361 yds., 3 TDs  
**Scoring:** Marc Edwards, 12 TDs, 3 XP, 76 points  
**Punting:** Hunter Smith, 38 punts, 36.4 avg.  
**Kicking:** Kevin Kopka, 6-11 FGs, 27-29 XP  
**Tackles:** Lyron Cobbins, 105, 82 solo  
**Sacks:** Renaldo Wynn, 6.5  
**Interceptions:** Lyron Cobbins, 5 for 86 yards

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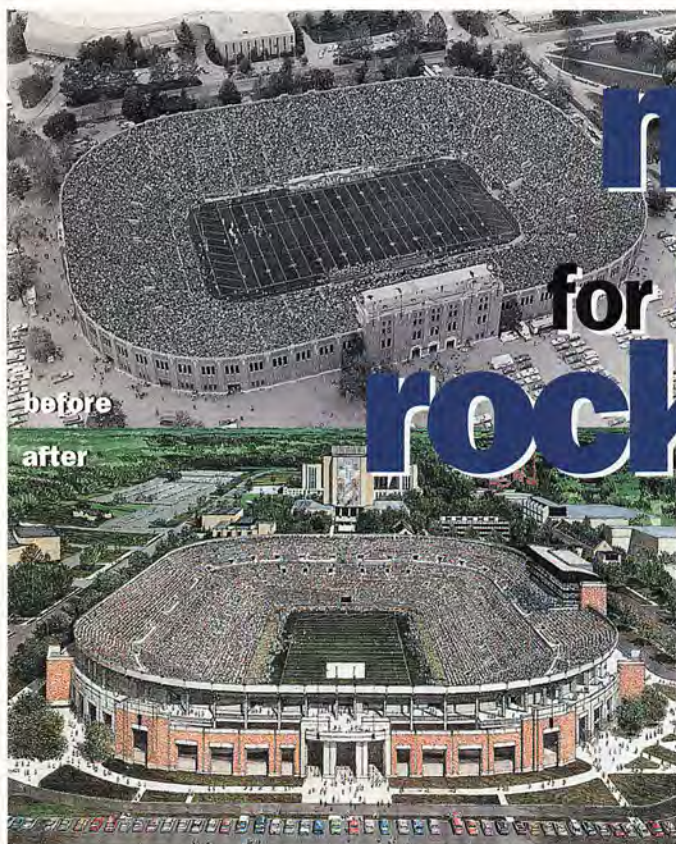
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# new look for stadium rockne built

by JOE TYBOR  
*Chicago Tribune*

Touchdown Jesus still looks down on it, but the football cathedral that Knute Rockne built is taking on a new look with the addition of almost 22,000 seats

to bring the capacity to about 81,000.

Construction began after the 1995 season with the addition of a concrete shell for 26 rows atop the traditional structure supported by a new, outer wall that encloses the famed orange brick.

The new wall will be of lighter brick to match surrounding buildings on campus.

Work will continue through the 1996 season, though the stadium will be "functional" for the Fighting Irish during that time. The completed, remodeled facility will be ready for the Sept. 6, 1997, opener against Georgia Tech.

There will be new turf, a new press box and expanded locker rooms, but some things won't change. Players will still enter the stadium via that famed tunnel that has become symbolic of the tradition of Notre Dame football.

"I just turned 18, a sophomore and scared out of my wits," says Lattner, recalling the first time he ran through the tunnel onto the field for the 1951 opener. "It was one of the great thrills of my life. We had the green jerseys on. Indiana was picked to beat us. My heart was pounding. My stomach was cramped, and I was so excited I didn't even know if I wanted to play football that day."

Later that year, Lattner faked the punt that allowed the Irish to score with under a minute to go and tie Iowa. The next year, he was involved in another of the most memorable games played in the stadium.

Oklahoma was a big favorite in 1952. The Sooners were 5-0-1, averaging 42 points a game, and boasted Billy Vessels, who gained nearly 200 yards in that game and eventually won the Heisman that season. Notre Dame Stadium was the scene of "the tackle heard around the world" that

day when Dan Shannon hurtled himself into the Sooner ball carrier on the kickoff.

"They hit head-on like two locomotives," recalls Lattner. "Both of them were knocked out. We recovered the fumble and went on to score the winning touchdown for a big (27-21) upset."

Rockne coached only one season in the stadium, the 10-0 1930 campaign. The first score for the Irish in the new yard came when Joe Savoldi ran back a kickoff 100 yards in a 20-14 win over SMU.

George Vlk, now nearly 88, still remembers the day.

"It was a beautiful thing . . . the same transplanted sod that George Gipp and Rockne played on from Cartier Field," says Vlk, who started at end for the Irish that day.

Memories abound from generation to generation.

Chris Zorich, the 1990 Lombardi Award winner, still chortles with glee when he thinks of the 31-30 win over Miami and former Hurricanes coach Jimmy Johnson in 1988.

"It was like they say in the song," Zorich recalls. "I actually heard the echoes."

Though the face of the stadium will change, the echoes will remain.

Holtz strongly recommended keeping as much of the locker room as possible and the same tunnel entrance to the field, though there also will be a second entrance.

"I don't want someone to come back here 20 years from now," Holtz says, "and ask, 'Where did Rockne sit?' and they'll have to say, 'Coach Holtz changed that.' I for one will miss the old stadium, but I feel quite confident that there will be greater memories in the new stadium. Memories that we don't even know about. I just like to say the best is yet to come." **A**

**T**he most memorable game in Notre Dame Stadium for 1953 Heisman Trophy winner Johnny Lattner came when he was a green-horn sophomore in 1951, and a couple of senior captains told him in the huddle to defy coach Frank Leahy's orders and throw a fourth-down pass instead of punt.

Trembling, Lattner completed an end-over-end duck to Jimmy Mutscheller for a first down. The Irish went on to score with 55 seconds left and tie Iowa 20-20. Leahy never said a thing to him.

The first time Lou Holtz stepped into Notre Dame Stadium, he wasn't even in coaching yet. Finishing his Army stint in 1959 at U.S. 5th Army Headquarters in Fort Sheridan, north of Chicago, Holtz was a sideline invitee of a Navy team that had asked him to scout the Fighting Irish a few weeks earlier when Notre Dame played at Purdue.

Little did Holtz know then the milestones that turf would hold for him. Twenty-nine years later, he would beat Miami in a win that would vault him and the Irish to a national championship. Thirty years later, he would break Leahy's Notre Dame mark of 21 straight wins. And in 1993, he would see a national-championship bid ruined with a devastating 41-39 loss to Boston College.

"You always hear how great it is to run out onto the field where all those great players were, but you never know until you do it," says current sophomore fullback Jamie Spencer. "I couldn't say anything. It was like you wanted to cry."

They all have their memories of the stadium: the seven Heisman winners, the dozens of All-Americans and all the other Irish who have competed on the turf that was transplanted from old Cartier Field when the stadium was built in 1930.

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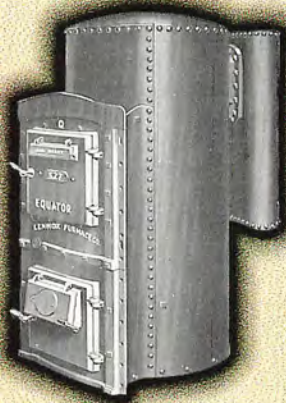
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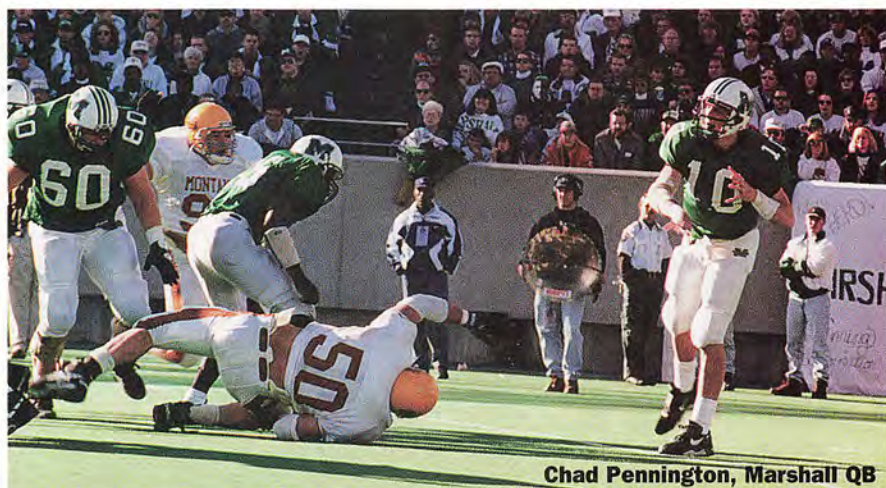


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## Division I-AA preview



Chad Pennington, Marshall QB

# Marshall Gets Last Shot at Title Before I-A Jump

by RICK BAILEY  
*Lexington Herald-Leader*

**C**hronicles of NCAA Division I-AA football began writing about Youngstown State and Marshall beginning with the 1991 championship game.

The teams' destinies became intertwined as they formed a twin dynasty in the '90s.

They faced off in three consecutive title games, with Youngstown winning twice. The Penguins won it all in 1994 after Marshall lost in the playoff semifinals to Boise State. The Thundering Herd reached the title game in '95, losing to Montana. And in the postseason, after enduring an unexpected 3-8 campaign, Youngstown coach Jim Tressel was linked briefly to the coaching job at Marshall.

So here they are again, Marshall the No. 1 pick, and Youngstown ready to return to the playoffs. But this will be the last time. At least in Division I-AA.

After years of planning and anticipation, Marshall will make the jump to Division I-A and join the Mid-American Conference in 1997. Youngstown will stay at the I-AA level for now.

But who would dare to say these two won't get together, their fans forming a sea of green and red at Marshall Stadium, to decide the '96 championship on Dec. 21?

Record-setting running back Chris Parker is gone at Marshall, but Southern Conference Freshman of the Year Chad Pennington returns at quarterback. Best of all for the Thundering Herd (12-3) is that most of the 1995 defense also will be on hand.

What's new is the coach, Bob Pruett, former defensive coordinator at Florida who succeeded Jim Donnan, now head coach at Georgia. Pruett has installed a new offense, and his first task is replacing Parker, the Southern's career rushing leader. Senior Erik Thomas, junior Olandis Gary and sophomore Doug Chapman are leading candidates.

As a rookie last season, Pennington passed for 2,445 yards and 15 touchdowns in leading the Herd to the title game after a one-year absence.

Junior tight end Jermaine Wiggins (58 receptions) and senior wideout Tim Martin (54 catches) return. Seniors Aaron Ferguson (6-3, 280) and Jamie Wilson (6-7, 285) are bulwarks on the offensive line.

All-American Billy Lyon (6-5, 290, senior) will be a major force at defensive tackle. Junior end B.J. Cohen (6-3, 240) won All-Southern honors.

Youngstown, decimated by the loss of key personnel in critical positions, dropped its 1995 opener to nearby rival Kent on the next-to-last play, faced several I-AA powers early and wound up with a 1-5 start. But young players gained experience, and Tressel is anxious to see how they perform this fall.



## Division I-AA preview

Star quarterback Mark Brungard has departed, leaving several candidates for the job. Junior Demond Tidwell has served as an understudy and has the most training of the Penguin returnees and newcomers.

Sophomores Jake Andreadis and Brian Cottom got valuable experience in the backfield last season. Tackles Jim Jones (6-4, 260, senior), a defender for two years, and Matt Hogg (6-5, 270, junior) anchor the offensive front.

Middle guard Andre Jethroe (6-1, 240), a four-year starter, "has been as influential on defense as anyone," Tressel says.

Several other teams will have their say about who winds up in Huntington, W.Va., for the title game.

Defending I-AA champion Montana (13-2) won a tense battle with Marshall 22-20 for the national title after outscoring three playoff foes 163-14 behind Walter Payton Award-winning quarterback Dave Dickenson.

"I think it'll be an awfully good team," said Don Read, ex-Grizzlies coach, before retiring in mid-April. Read was replaced by Michael Dennehy, who was promoted from offensive coordinator. Dennehy was bequeathed 18 starters from last year's championship team, but one of them is not Dickenson who graduated.

Junior Josh Paffhausen and sophomore Brian Ah Yat usually shared time at quarterback in the fourth quarter and part of the third period.

Most of Montana's defense returns. Senior middle linebacker Jason Crebo ranks with the best linebackers the Grizzlies have ever had.

Northern Arizona (7-4) and Weber State (6-5) will offer the main challenge to Montana in the Big Sky Conference. Traditional powers Idaho and Boise State have jumped to Division I-A replaced by Division II threat Portland State, Cal State Sacramento and Cal State Northridge.

Appalachian State (12-1) will challenge Marshall for conference supremacy as it attempts to remain a power in I-AA. The Mountaineers won the Southern Conference with a perfect regular season, then lost to Stephen F. Austin in the quarterfinals. Sixteen starters return.

Appalachian State middle linebacker Dexter Coakley will try to earn a second Division I-AA Defensive Player of the Year award. A two-time All-American, he "can run with almost any back," coach Jerry Moore says. "He has a nose for the football. Great linebackers are that way." Senior linebacker Koe DiBernardo has been All-Southern for two years.

The always tough Southland Conference has become even more rugged with the addition of Troy State this fall and Jacksonville State in '97. In fact, it's now known as the Southland Football League.

Defending champion McNeese State (13-1), No. 1 in the final regular-season Sports Network poll, lost to Marshall in the semifinals and was hit hard by graduation, especially since quarterback Kerry Joseph departed.

Tim Leger was the backup as a true freshman last fall. He has impressed coach Bobby Keasler with his maturity and leadership.

Redshirt freshman Earl Bynum and LSU transfer Derrick Beavers, a junior, will be the Cowboys' running backs. Sophomore tackle Reggie Nelson (6-4, 310) anchors the offensive line.

On defense, senior tackle Tyrone Smith (6-2, 275) has the only experience up front. Senior free safety Zack Bronson has been All-Southland three years and was an All-American in '95.

Stephen F. Austin (11-2) lost only to McNeese State and Montana, and the junior-dominated Lumberjacks return 12 starters on defense, including two from 1994.

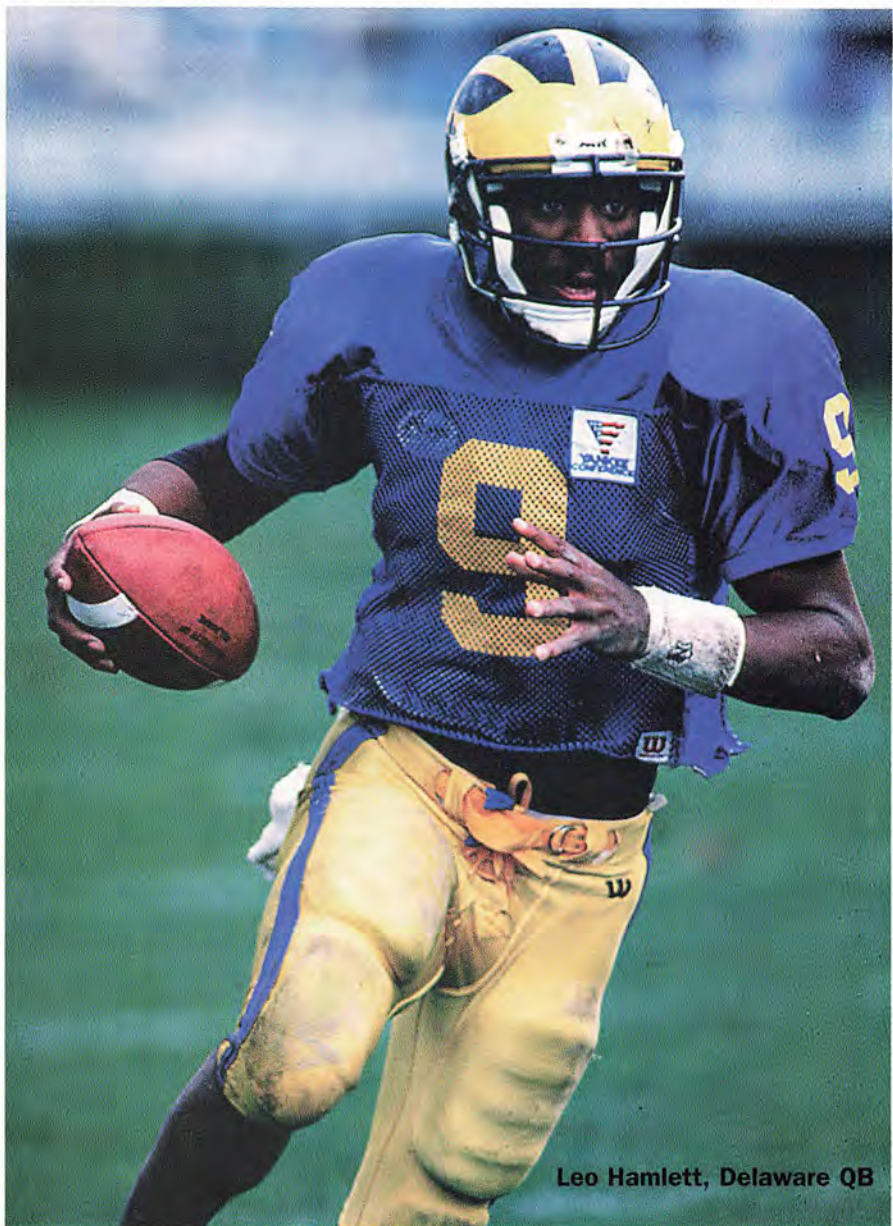
Six starters return on offense, including junior running back Dameian Vallery, a transfer from

Alabama who gained 984 yards last year as a part-time starter while Leonard Harris was injured.

Mike Quinn has been the Lumberjacks' backup quarterback for three years. "I think he'll be the surprise player in I-AA," says coach John Pearce. "He was fifth in Southland passing last season and wasn't even our starter."

Troy State (11-1) went undefeated in its last year as a I-AA independent before losing to Georgia Southern in the first round of the playoffs. Coach Larry Blakeney's Trojans lost seven starters on offense. Stan Davis, a fifth-year senior, will be the quarterback.

Murray State (11-1) of the Ohio Valley Conference turned the division upside down with its remarkable season after years of futility. It didn't take coach Houston Nutt long to get the Racers



Leo Hamlett, Delaware QB

Bill Wood



back on track after a 2-9 campaign in '92 before leading them to an undefeated regular season.

All-America tailback Derrick Cullors has departed, but senior quarterback Mike Cherry returns.

"Mike did a great job leading our team," Nutt says. "He's very smart."

Senior tailback Dave McCann leads a strong stable of runners, including Tim Scarborough, Tony Turner and Steve Cheirs, and a couple of transfers. Nutt points out that Cullors, from Texas A&M, wasn't signed until June 1, 1995. "And this is probably the strongest offensive line we've had," Nutt says.

Eastern Kentucky (9-3) lost 19 seniors. Greg Couch, who started as a redshirt freshman but lost out to I-A transfers John Sacca and Tommy Luginbill, should be the quarterback in his senior year.

A solid linebacking corps of senior Tony McCombs and juniors Britt Bowen and Victor Hyland anchors the Eastern Kentucky defense. Kidd, whose teams have made 16 appearances in the 18 years of the playoffs, has recruited speed in the secondary.

Delaware, defending Yankee Conference champions, returns Walter Payton Award candidate Leo Hamlett, a senior who, as conference Offensive Player of the Year, threw for 2,086 yards and 16 touchdowns, and ran for 756 yards and 10 scores.

"He's quite capable of doing it all," coach Tubby Raymond says. "Look at his numbers."

The Blue Hens (11-2) also return running back Norman Coleman, a senior, and wide receiver Courtney Batts, a junior. Senior tackle Chris Kumpon (6-4, 283) and senior guard Lynn Pyne (6-2, 253) anchor the offensive front.

William and Mary will challenge Delaware. The Tribe (7-4) loses its two best runners, but most of the top players return on defense. Defensive Player of the Year Jason Miller is gone, but senior linebacker Stefon Moody and Yankee Conference interception leader Darren Sharper, a senior free safety, are back.

Rookie of the Year Tory Taylor, second in Yankee rushing, figures to help Connecticut (8-3) contend again this fall. Junior Brad Keatley, the Huskies' leading tackler, also returns.

Rhode Island, picked last, went unbeaten in the

New England Division en route to a 7-4 record. Senior quarterback Chris Hixon, All-Yankee third team, is back. So is senior Cy Butler, a third-team wide receiver but first-team return specialist with three punt returns for touchdowns.

The Yankee Conference had five teams in the final regular-season Top 25, but only two, Delaware and James Madison, made the playoffs. That could change.

Northern Iowa (8-5) won its sixth consecutive Gateway Conference crown, sharing the title with Eastern Illinois (10-2), which has moved on to the Ohio Valley Conference.

Coach Terry Allen's Panthers lose quarterback Chris Berg from last fall's playoff quarterfinalist squad but returns three of its top four rushers: senior Jeff Stovall, sophomore Lance Hall and junior James Porter. Junior tackle Chris Clapp (6-4, 256) is the top returnee on the offensive front.

On defense, the Northern Iowa secondary returns along with three of four linebackers but only one lineman. Senior linebackers Danny

Spann and Tim Miller and sophomore cornerback Tyree Talton are the top Panther defenders.

Southwest Missouri State (4-7) and Illinois State (5-6) could offer the most serious challenges to Northern Iowa in the Gateway Conference. Southern Illinois improved from 1-10 to 5-6 last fall.

Florida A&M (9-3) was a young team when it won the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference last year. The Rattlers return senior

quarterback Damian Slaughter, an All-MEAC honorable mention.

The Ivy League almost had a four-way tie for the title last fall, but Princeton (8-1-1) won the crown outright in the final two seconds of the season. The Tigers could repeat with senior running back Marc Washington leading the way. All-Ivy quarterback Jason McCullough, a junior, will lead Brown (5-5), which returns seven defensive starters.

Bucknell (7-4) and Lehigh (8-3) will contend for the Patriot League crown. Bucknell senior tailback Rich Lemon could become the first Division I-AA runner to exceed 1,000 yards in four consecutive seasons. The Patriot League hopes to be represented in the I-AA playoffs this fall. **A**

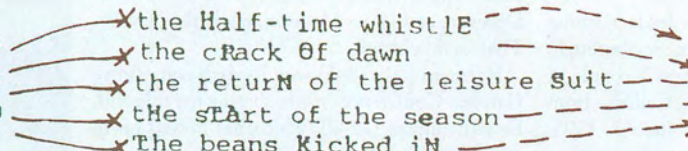
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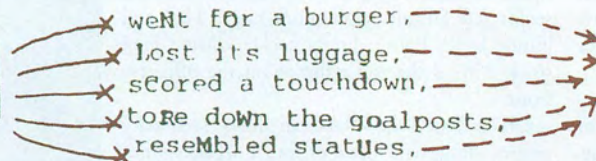
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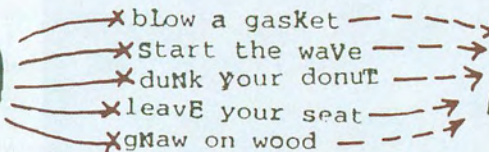
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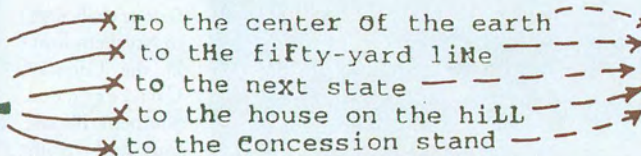
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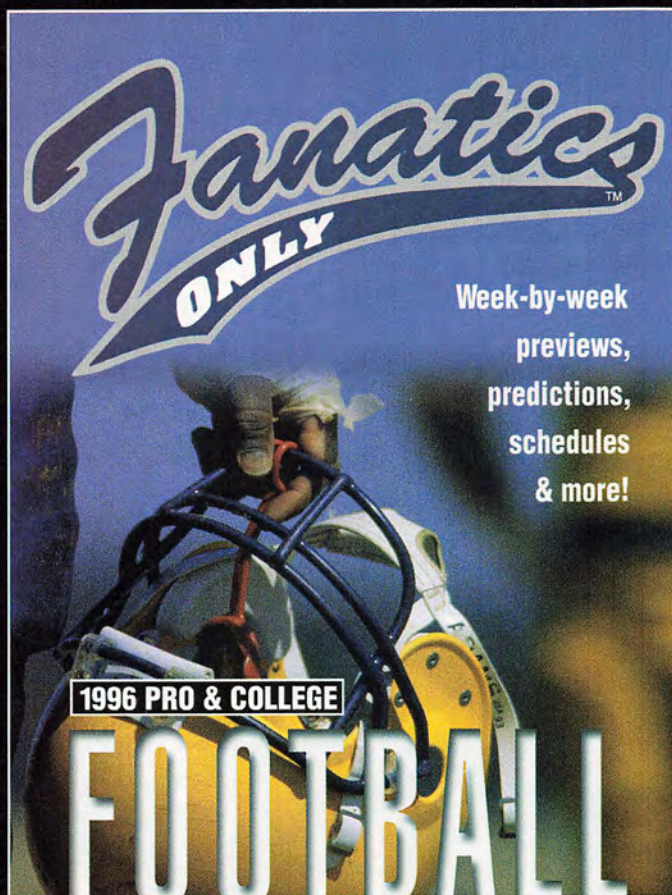
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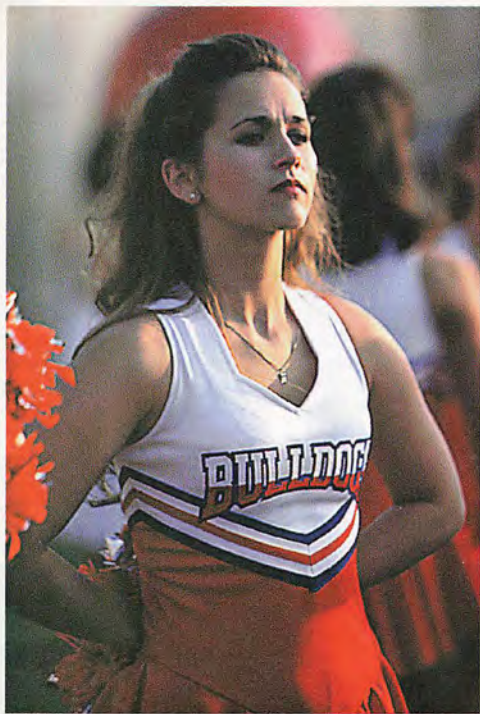
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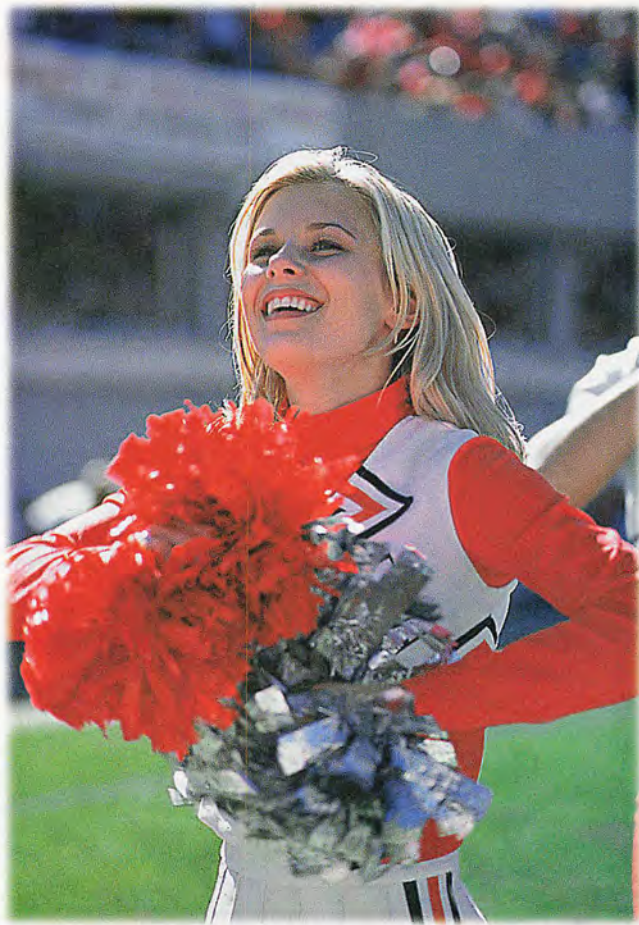
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**Heather  
Cornwell**  
**Fresno State  
Bulldogs**

Heather, a mass communications major, has enjoyed getting to know her fellow Fresno State supporters and seeing the behind-the-scenes work of the coaches and players. Heather, who favors cold-weather sports like skiing and snowboarding, hopes to pursue a career in telecommunications.



**Ashley Dee Nelson**  
**Utah Utes**

Ashley made a dramatic entrance at her first home game, as she tripped and was nearly trampled by a herd of fired-up Utes. Since that inauspicious beginning, Ashley has enjoyed many happier moments, including meeting 49er great Steve Young. Ashley's lively, infectious demeanor belies her keen interest in mortuary science.



**Auburn Tigers**  
**Cheerleading Squad**



**Elena Trebits**  
**Georgia Tech Yellowjackets**

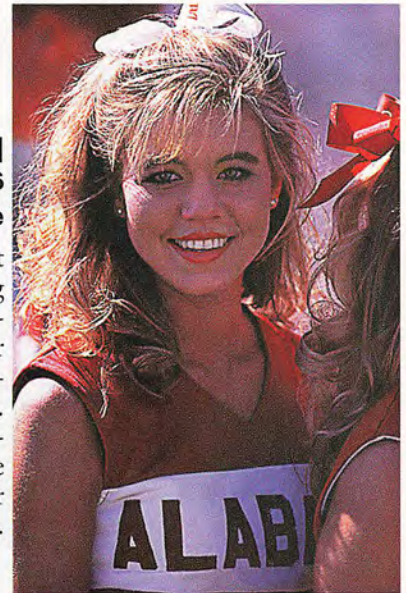
Elena is an industrial engineering major at Georgia Tech who is preparing for her second season of cheering for the Rambling Wreck athletic teams. From Doraville, Ga., she lists swimming, soccer and gymnastics as her hobbies.

**Richi Michell**  
**Hayes**

**Alabama Crimson Tide**

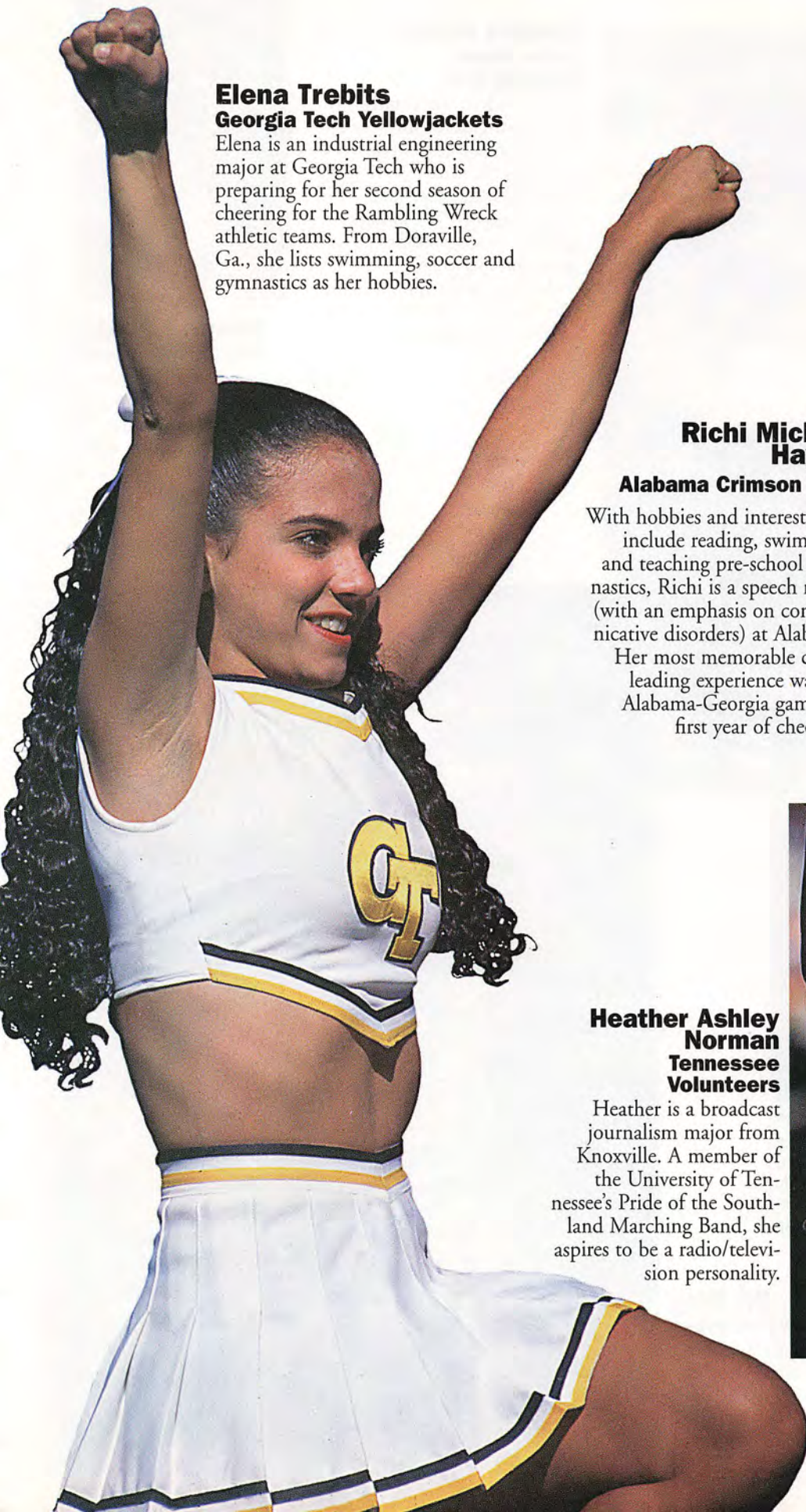
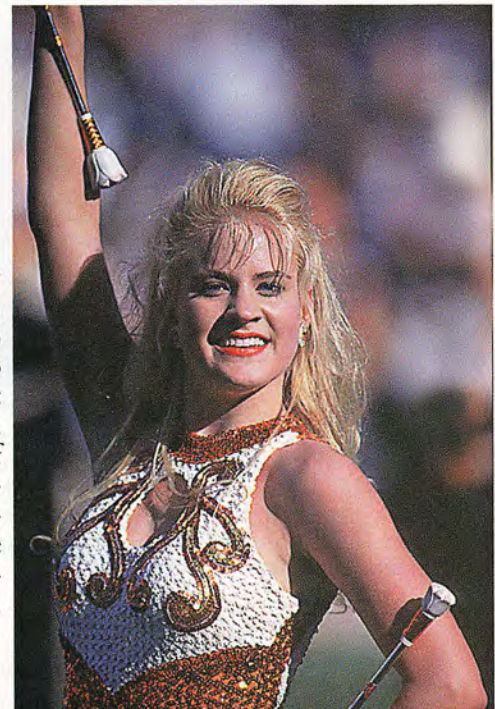
With hobbies and interests that include reading, swimming and teaching pre-school gymnastics, Richi is a speech major (with an emphasis on communicative disorders) at Alabama.

Her most memorable cheer-leading experience was the Alabama-Georgia game her first year of cheering.



**Heather Ashley**  
**Norman**  
**Tennessee**  
**Volunteers**

Heather is a broadcast journalism major from Knoxville. A member of the University of Tennessee's Pride of the Southland Marching Band, she aspires to be a radio/television personality.







### **Sondra Rekuc Notre Dame Fighting Irish**

Sondra enjoys the atmosphere and passion surrounding college football and cites the Notre Dame-Florida State 1-vs.-2 matchup of 1993 as her greatest memory. She's an aerospace engineering major and works for Motorola in their sales engineering program.



### **Shana Henning Oklahoma Sooners**

An aspiring dance team member of the Dallas Maverick NBA franchise, Shana loves to dance. The elementary education major, whose hometown is Oklahoma City, plans to work at a dance studio this summer and teach dance classes during the academic year.

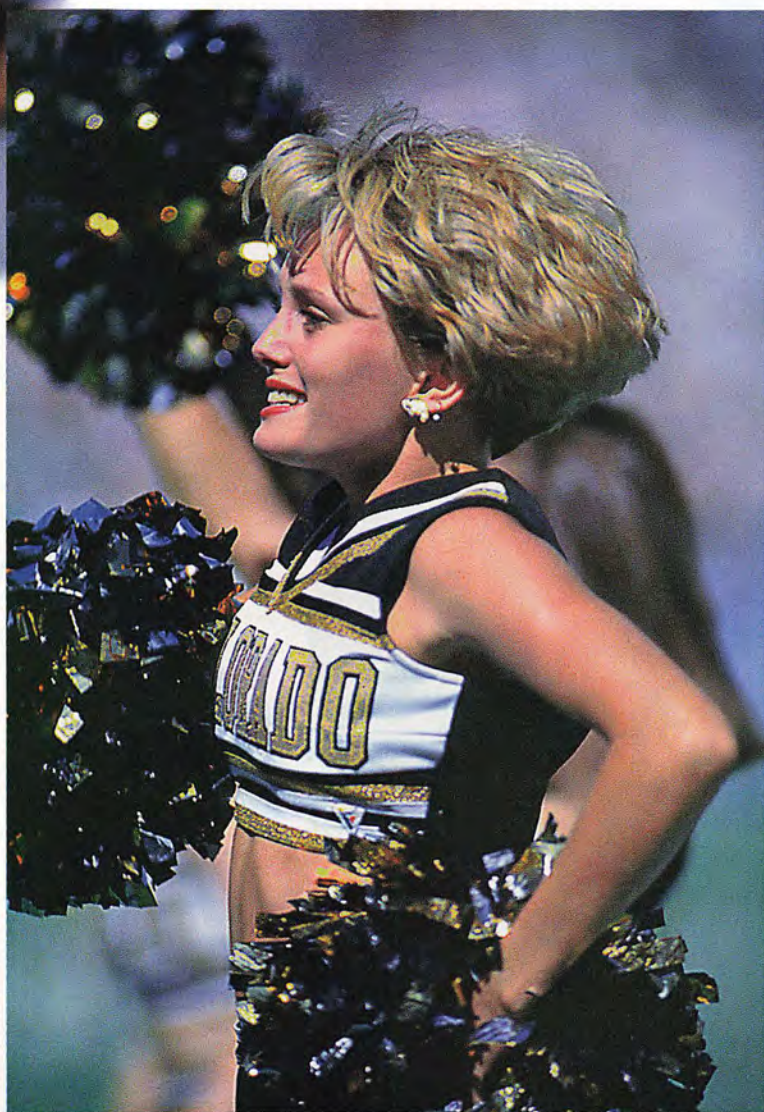


### **Charity Hill USC Trojans**

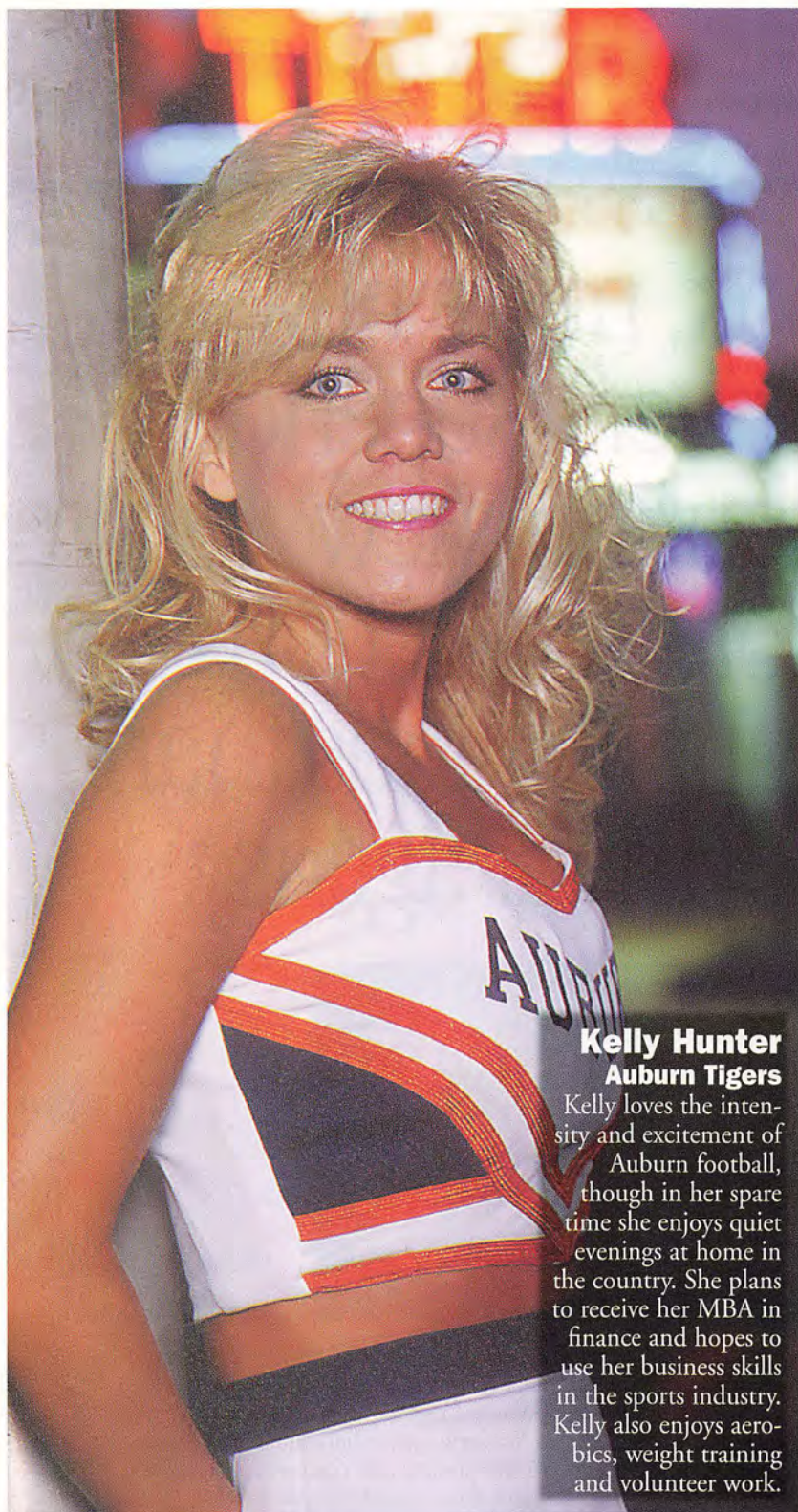
Ever since her first game, when she ran onto the field and faced a sea of spirited Trojan fans, Charity has felt great pride in being part of the cheerleading experience. This international marketing major enjoys acting and traveling.

### **Jill Bray Colorado Buffaloes**

Hailing from Loveland, Colo., Jill is a business major who plans to attend graduate school in Great Britain after finishing her studies at Colorado. Her hobbies include snowboarding, scuba diving, waterskiing, hiking and traveling.







**Kelly Hunter**  
**Auburn Tigers**

Kelly loves the intensity and excitement of Auburn football, though in her spare time she enjoys quiet evenings at home in the country. She plans to receive her MBA in finance and hopes to use her business skills in the sports industry. Kelly also enjoys aerobics, weight training and volunteer work.

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# Larry Mac Duff



## Athlon's Assistant Coach of the Year

In any profession, there is much to be said for loyalty and dedication. And no assistant coach in college football better exemplifies this than Arizona defensive coordinator Larry Mac Duff.

Athlon's Assistant Coach of the Year has now served under Arizona head coach Dick Tomey since 1984, a 12-year mark that, although not rare by any standard, is far above the average.

While head coach at Hawaii, Tomey hired Mac Duff to coach the Rainbows defensive line and special teams. When Tomey left in 1987 for Arizona, Mac Duff, a Clinton, Iowa, native, left with him.

"I've grown working under Coach Tomey," says Mac Duff. "He has given me strong direction.

"Dick gives his assistants direction, but he also gives us freedom," Mac Duff adds. "He lets us coach."

And coaching is what Larry Mac Duff does.

Under his direction, the Arizona defense has become one of the most respected in the nation. It is a tribute to the work of Mac Duff and the other defensive assistants that last season's 199 points yielded (18.1 points per game, second-best in the Pacific-10 Conference) was considered mediocre by Wildcat standards.

"We were not quite as good in the area of scoring defense as we have been," says Mac Duff. "We were not as good at stopping the run."

Specifically, Mac Duff's defense yielded 127.2 rushing yards per game, again a very respectable figure but nothing compared to the meager 65.3 yards per game yielded in 1994.

Those high standards, and his loyalty to Tomey, drive Mac Duff. As does his genuine interest in the young men he coaches.

"We have a good situation here at Arizona," Mac Duff explains. "One of the main reasons I've stayed with Dick Tomey this long is that his programs attract outstanding young men. I would say that in some respects the players I have coached have served as my role models. I feel fortunate to have coached a run of outstanding players."

Some of those defensive players include back Darryll Lewis, the 1990 Jim Thorpe Award winner, tackle Rob Waldrop, the 1993 Outland Trophy winner, free safety Tony Bouie, end Teddy Bruschi and safety Chuck Cecil, all consensus All-Americans.

The significance of staff stability was never more evident to Mac Duff when, last winter, he lost two assistants, Rich Ellerson (defensive line) and Jeff Hammerschmidt (secondary) to Southern Utah, where they take over as head coach and defensive coordinator respectively.

"I wish Rich and Jeff well," Mac Duff says. "They did a good job for us but I think we'll be in good shape."

For Mac Duff, good shape will be the continuation of top-10 finishes nationally in total defense. The Wildcats finished 10th nationally in total defense in 1994 and seventh last season. Arizona ranked first in total defense in the Pac-10 last fall. With their high-powered offenses, Pac-10 foes provide Mac Duff with a daunting task.

"Every week we get a real challenge to deal with in this league," says Mac Duff, who played two years at Oklahoma in the late 1960s after a stand-out two-year career at Fullerton Junior College.

Mac Duff likes the challenge. He feels that because college offenses have become so sophisticated, defensive coaches such as himself must adapt.

"Offenses present more problems in all areas now than ever," Mac Duff notes. "Offensive coaches present a variety of challenges and especially in specialty areas like the passing game, two-minute game and goal-line packages."

Because the opportunity to do battle with an offense is so multifaceted, Mac Duff stays fresh.

"As offenses evolve, defenses must also evolve," says Mac Duff, 48. "One challenge as a defensive coordinator is determining how you can have something sophisticated enough to handle these offenses yet simple enough for your players to manage."

In addition to Tomey, Mac Duff praised his coach at Fullerton JC, Hal Sherbeck, under whom he coached linebackers in 1970.

He adds that working as a head coach one day appeals to him.

"Dick knows I would like to be a head coach, but the situation must be right," Mac Duff says.

If the situation is not attractive, he will stay in Tucson, a place he and his family (wife Barbie and son Justin) enjoy.

And with Dick Tomey likely to be in Tucson for a while, don't be surprised to see Mac Duff there too.

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## ACC

### CLEMSON

Nickname: Tigers  
Team Colors: Burnt Orange and Northwest Purple  
Home Field (Capacity): Clemson Memorial Stadium (81,473)  
Location: Clemson, SC 29633  
For Tickets Call: (803) 656-2118  
Ticket Prices: \$20, 25 (125 Season)  
Enrollment: 16,614  
Campus Hero: Jeff Davis, Banks McFadden  
Fun Fact: Clemson's stadium was first referred to as Death Valley in the early 1940s by former Presbyterian coach Lonnie McMillian, who joked that his teams always got killed there.

### DUKE

Nickname: Blue Devils  
Team Colors: Royal Blue and White  
Home Field (Capacity): Wallace Wade Stadium (33,941)  
Location: Durham, NC 27708  
For Tickets Call: (919) 681-BLUE  
Ticket Prices: \$20 (30, 60, 90 Season)  
Enrollment: 6,057  
Campus Hero: Clarkston Hines, Ace Parker  
Fun Fact: Duke has won the College Football Association's Academic Achievement Award for graduating the highest percentage of players a record seven times, including 1993, 1994 and 1995.

### FLORIDA STATE

Nickname: Seminoles  
Team Colors: Garnet and Gold  
Home Field (Capacity): Doak S. Campbell Stadium (77,500)  
Location: Tallahassee, FL 32316  
For Tickets Call: (904) 644-1830  
Ticket Prices: \$21 (130 Season)  
Enrollment: 28,500  
Campus Hero: Burt Reynolds, Charlie Ward  
Fun Fact: Bobby Bowden's Seminole teams own a 96-16-2 home record.

### GEORGIA TECH

Nickname: Yellow Jackets, Rambling Wreck  
Team Colors: Old Gold and White  
Home Field (Capacity): Bobby Dodd Stadium/Grant Field (46,000)  
Location: Atlanta, GA 30332  
For Tickets Call: (404) 894-5447  
Ticket Prices: \$22 (132 Season)  
Enrollment: 13,000  
Campus Hero: Bill Curry, Clint Castleberry  
Fun Fact: Coming to Tech in 1904, John Heisman became the first football coach in the country to earn a living wage.

### MARYLAND

Nickname: Terrapins  
Team Colors: Red, White, Black and Gold  
Home Field (Capacity): Byrd Stadium (48,000)

Location: College Park, MD 20741  
For Tickets Call: (301) 314-7084  
Ticket Prices: \$22, 25 (90, 120 season)  
Enrollment: 18,813  
Campus Hero: Randy White, Lou Gambino  
Fun Fact: Queen Elizabeth II attended a home game against North Carolina in 1957, an upset win by the Terrapins.

### NORTH CAROLINA

Nickname: Tar Heels  
Team Colors: Carolina Blue and White  
Home Field (Capacity): Kenan Memorial Stadium (52,000)  
Location: Chapel Hill, NC 27515  
For Tickets Call: 1-800-722-HEEL  
Ticket Prices: \$22 (105 Season)  
Enrollment: 15,895  
Campus Hero: Lawrence Taylor, Charlie "Choo Choo" Justice  
Fun Fact: North Carolina's ram mascot derives from 1922 fullback Jack Merritt, known as "the battering ram."

### NORTH CAROLINA STATE

Nickname: Wolfpack  
Team Colors: Red and White  
Home Field (Capacity): Carter-Finley Stadium (59,000)  
Location: Raleigh, NC 27695  
For Tickets Call: (919) 515-2106  
Ticket Prices: \$20, 25 (111 Season)  
Enrollment: 27,577  
Campus Hero: Lin Dawson, Roman Gabriel  
Fun Fact: The Wolfpack have lined up against Wake Forest more than any other team, 89 times, including every season since 1910.

### VIRGINIA

Nickname: Cavaliers, Wahoos  
Team Colors: Orange and Blue  
Home Field (Capacity): Scott Stadium (40,000)  
Location: Charlottesville, VA 22903  
For Tickets Call: (804) 924-UVA1  
Ticket Prices: \$16, 20, 22, 30 (62, 124 Season)  
Enrollment: 18,011

Campus Hero: Jim Dombrowski, Bill Dudley  
Fun Fact: Virginia's first mascots, beginning in the 1920s, were black and white mongrel dogs, Beta (until 1939) and then Seal (until 1953).

### WAKE FOREST

Nickname: Demon Deacons  
Team Colors: Old Gold and Black  
Home Field (Capacity): Groves Stadium (31,500)  
Location: Winston-Salem NC 27106  
For Tickets Call: (910) 759-5613  
Ticket Prices: \$18, 20  
Enrollment: 3,600  
Campus Hero: James McDougald, John Mackovic  
Fun Fact: The first Groves Stadium became a high school facility after the university moved from the town of Wake Forest in 1956.

## BIG EAST

### BOSTON COLLEGE

Nickname: Eagles  
Team Colors: Maroon and Gold  
Home Field (Capacity): Alumni Stadium (44,500)  
Location: Chestnut Hill, MA 02167  
For Tickets Call: (617) 552-2000  
Ticket Prices: \$25 (150 Season)  
Enrollment: 14,698  
Campus Hero: Doug Flutie, Charlie O'Rourke  
Fun Fact: Boston College is America's largest Jesuit school.

### MIAMI

Nickname: Hurricanes  
Team Colors: Orange, Green and White  
Home Field (Capacity): Orange Bowl (74,476)  
Location: Coral Gables, FL 33124  
For Tickets Call: 1-800-GO-CANES  
Ticket Prices: \$23 (115, 150 Season)  
Enrollment: 13,734  
Campus Hero: Kenny Calhoun, Ted Hendricks  
Fun Fact: The ibis, by folklore the last creature to take cover before a hurricane, has been a Miami mascot since the 1920s.





## PITTSBURGH

Nickname: Panthers  
Team Colors: Blue and Gold  
Home Field (Capacity): Pitt Stadium (56,500)  
Location: Pittsburgh, PA 15213  
For Tickets Call: (412) 648-8300  
Ticket Prices: \$6, 20, 23  
Enrollment: 32,519  
Campus Hero: Marshall Goldberg, Tony Dorsett  
Fun Fact: The University of Pittsburgh was founded in a log cabin in 1787, making it one of America's oldest educational institutions.

## RUTGERS

Nickname: Scarlet Knights  
Team Colors: Scarlet  
Home Field (Capacity): Rutgers Stadium (42,000)  
Location: Piscataway, NJ 08855  
For Tickets Call: (908) 445-2766  
Ticket Prices: \$22  
Enrollment: 48,000  
Campus Hero: Ozzie Nelson, Paul Robeson  
Fun Fact: In 1869, Rutgers defeated Princeton in the first intercollegiate football game, played in New Brunswick, N.J.

## SYRACUSE

Nickname: Orangemen  
Team Colors: Orange  
Home Field (Capacity): Carrier Dome (50,000)  
Location: Syracuse, NY 13244  
For Tickets Call: (315) 443-2121  
Ticket Prices: \$20, 23 (123 Season)  
Enrollment: 10,200  
Campus Hero: Ernie Davis, Tim Green  
Fun Fact: Author Stephen Crane, best known for *The Red Badge of Courage*, was a member of the Orangemen's 1891 team.

## TEMPLE

Nickname: Owls  
Team Colors: Cherry and White  
Home Field (Capacity): Veterans Stadium (66,592)  
Location: Philadelphia, PA 19122  
For Tickets Call: (215) 204-8499  
Ticket Prices: not available at press time  
Enrollment: 32,000  
Campus Hero: Bill Cosby, Dave Smukler  
Fun Fact: Temple's origin as a night school is considered to account for the adoption of the owl as its mascot in the 1880s.

## VIRGINIA TECH

Nickname: Hokies, Fighting Gobblers  
Team Colors: Chicago Maroon and Burnt Orange  
Home Field (Capacity): Lane Stadium (51,000)  
Location: Blacksburg, VA 24061  
For Tickets Call: (540) 231-6731  
Ticket Prices: \$22 (154 Season)  
Enrollment: 23,873  
Campus Hero: Bruce Smith, Carroll Dale  
Fun Fact: Hokie running backs take great pride in their popular nickname, "The Stallions."



## WEST VIRGINIA

Nickname: Mountaineers  
Team Colors: Old Gold and Blue  
Home Field (Capacity): Mountaineer Field (63,500)  
Location: Morgantown, WV 26507  
For Tickets Call: (304) 293-3541  
Ticket Prices: \$20 (120)  
Enrollment: 23,000  
Campus Hero: Jeff Hostetler, Joe Stydahar  
Fun Fact: Until 1905, the football team was referred to as "the Snakes."

## BIG TEN

### ILLINOIS

Nickname: Fighting Illini  
Team Colors: Orange and Blue  
Home Field (Capacity): Memorial Stadium (69,000)  
Location: Champaign, IL 61820  
For Tickets Call: (217) 333-3470  
Ticket Prices: \$22, 24  
Enrollment: 36,000  
Campus Hero: Red Grange, Dick Butkus  
Fun Fact: Illinois defeated Stanford 40-7 in the 1952 Rose Bowl, the first nationally telecast football game.

### INDIANA

Nickname: Hoosiers  
Team Colors: Cream and Crimson  
Home Field (Capacity): Memorial Stadium (52,354)  
Location: Bloomington, IN 47405  
For Tickets Call: (812) 855-4006  
Ticket Prices: \$20, 23 (100 Season)  
Enrollment: 35,551  
Campus Hero: Pete Pihos, Anthony Thompson  
Fun Fact: Indiana's only trip to the Rose Bowl came after the 1967 season, a 14-3 loss to USC and the Trojans' All-America back, O.J. Simpson.

## IOWA

Nickname: Hawkeyes  
Team Colors: Black and Gold  
Home Field (Capacity): Kinnick Stadium (70,397)  
Location: Iowa City, IA 52242  
For Tickets Call: (319) 335-9309  
Ticket Prices: \$23 (138 Season)  
Enrollment: 27,000  
Campus Hero: Nile Kinnick, Ozzie Simmons  
Fun Fact: George H. Gallup developed and perfected the famous Gallup Poll as a student and journalism instructor at Iowa.

## MICHIGAN

Nickname: Wolverines  
Team Colors: Maize and Blue  
Home Field (Capacity): Michigan Stadium (102,501)  
Location: Ann Arbor, MI 48109  
For Tickets Call: (313) 764-0247  
Ticket Prices: \$32 (162 Season)  
Enrollment: 36,758  
Campus Hero: Anthony Carter, Gerald Ford  
Fun Fact: Michigan has appeared in more Rose Bowl games (16) and won more of them (7) than any other Big Ten team.

## MICHIGAN STATE

Nickname: Spartans  
Team Colors: Green and White  
Home Field (Capacity): Spartan Stadium (73,000)  
Location: East Lansing, MI 48824  
For Tickets Call: (517) 355-1610  
Ticket Prices: \$27  
Enrollment: 39,743  
Campus Hero: Billy Wells, Bubba Smith  
Fun Fact: Michigan State is the only university in the country with three medical colleges.

## MINNESOTA

Nickname: Golden Gophers  
Team Colors: Maroon and Gold  
Home Field (Capacity): Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome (63,500)  
Location: Minneapolis, MN 55455  
For Tickets Call: (612) 624-8080  
Ticket Prices: \$9, 21 (114 Season)  
Enrollment: 38,000  
Campus Hero: Ken Haycraft, Carl Eller  
Fun Fact: Minnesota won five national football championships between 1934 and 1941, and another in 1960.

## NORTHWESTERN

Nickname: Wildcats  
Team Colors: Purple and White  
Home Field (Capacity): Dyche Stadium (49,256)  
Location: Evanston, IL 60208  
For Tickets Call: (847) 491-2287  
Ticket Prices: \$22 (110 Season)  
Enrollment: 7,400  
Campus Hero: Tom Tunnicliffe, Darnell Autry  
Fun Fact: Dyche Stadium was the site of the first Big Ten night game, a Wildcat loss to Purdue in 1935.



## OHIO STATE

Nickname: Buckeyes  
Team Colors: Scarlet and Gray  
Home Field (Capacity): Ohio Stadium (89,841)  
Location: Columbus, OH 43210  
For Tickets Call: (614) 292-2624  
Ticket Prices: \$13, 20, 27, 52  
(132, 162, 192 Season)  
Enrollment: 50,600  
Campus Hero: Archie Griffin, Tippy Dye  
Fun Fact: Ohio State is the only Big Ten team to play in four consecutive Rose Bowl games.

## PENN STATE

Nickname: Nittany Lions  
Team Colors: Blue and White  
Home Field (Capacity): Beaver Stadium (93,967)  
Location: University Park, PA 16802  
For Tickets Call: (814) 865-7567  
Ticket Prices: \$26  
Enrollment: 31,421  
Campus Hero: Mike Reid, Lenny Moore  
Fun Fact: Joe Paterno has led his Penn State teams to 17 bowl wins, more than any other coach in college football history.

## PURDUE

Nickname: Boilermakers  
Team Colors: Old Gold and Black  
Home Field (Capacity): Ross-Ade Stadium (67,861)  
Location: West Lafayette, IN 47907  
For Tickets Call: 1-800-497-7678  
Ticket Prices: \$5, 10, 20, 23 (108 Season)  
Enrollment: 34,484  
Campus Hero: Bob Griese, Rod Woodson  
Fun Fact: During the 1960s, 13 Boilermakers were named All-Americans, among them two-time picks Bob Griese and Leroy Keyes.

## WISCONSIN

Nickname: Badgers  
Team Colors: Cardinal and White  
Home Field (Capacity): Camp Randall Stadium (76,129)  
Location: Madison, WI 53711  
For Tickets Call: (608) 262-1440  
Ticket Prices: \$24  
Enrollment: 40,305  
Campus Hero: Ron Vander Kelen, Pat Richter  
Fun Fact: The site where Camp Randall Stadium now stands was used for a major military training center during the Civil War.

## BIG TWELVE NORTHERN DIVISION

### COLORADO

Nickname: Buffaloes  
Team Colors: Silver, Gold and Black  
Home Field (Capacity): Folsom Field (51,748)  
Location: Boulder, CO 80309  
For Tickets Call: (303) 492-8337  
Ticket Prices: \$30, 40 (200 Season)  
Enrollment: 25,013  
Campus Hero: Whizzer White, Michael Westbrook  
Fun Fact: Ralphie III, the current mascot, is the fourth live buffalo to serve in that capacity since the 1950s.

### IOWA STATE

Nickname: Cyclones  
Team Colors: Cardinal and Gold  
Home Field (Capacity): Cyclone Stadium (43,000)  
Location: Ames, IA 50011  
For Tickets Call: (515) 294-1816  
Ticket Prices: \$20, 25 (120 Season)  
Enrollment: 24,728  
Campus Hero: Troy Davis, Ed Bock  
Fun Fact: Originally nicknamed the Cardinals, Iowa State retains a cardinal named Cy (short for Cyclones) as its mascot.

### KANSAS

Nickname: Jayhawks  
Team Colors: Crimson and Blue  
Home Field (Capacity): Memorial Stadium (50,250)  
Location: Lawrence, KS 66045  
For Tickets Call: 1-800-34-HAWKS  
Ticket Prices: \$19, 22, 28 (111 Season)  
Enrollment: 25,240  
Campus Hero: Gale Sayers, John Hadl  
Fun Fact: Kansas adopted crimson as one of its colors in 1890 to honor Harvard alum-

nus Col. John J. McCook, who donated money for the school's original athletic field.

### KANSAS STATE

Nickname: Wildcats  
Team Colors: Purple and White  
Home Field (Capacity): KSU Stadium (42,000)  
Location: Manhattan, KS 66502  
For Tickets Call: (913) 532-7606  
Ticket Prices: \$21, 26, 35 (131 Season)  
Enrollment: 20,075  
Campus Hero: Gary Spani, Veryl Switzer  
Fun Fact: The Wildcats' first football field was located at the site in Manhattan where Bluemont Elementary School now stands.

### MISSOURI

Nickname: Tigers  
Team Colors: Old Gold and Black  
Home Field (Capacity): Memorial Stadium (62,000)  
Location: Columbia, MO 65205  
For Tickets Call: 1-800-CAT-PAWS  
Ticket Prices: \$20, 22 (129 Season)  
Enrollment: 22,136  
Campus Hero: Bob Steuber, Kellen Winslow  
Fun Fact: Founded in 1839, the University of Missouri was the first public college or university west of the Mississippi River.

### NEBRASKA

Nickname: Huskers  
Team Colors: Scarlet and Cream  
Home Field (Capacity): Memorial Stadium (72,700)  
Location: Lincoln, NE 68588  
For Tickets Call: (402) 472-3111  
Ticket Prices: \$28, 35 (175 Season)  
Enrollment: 24,000  
Campus Hero: Bobby Reynolds, Ed Weir  
Fun Fact: Nebraska has appeared in 27 consecutive bowl games, an NCAA record.

## SOUTHERN DIVISION

### BAYLOR

Nickname: Bears  
Team Colors: Green and Gold  
Home Field (Capacity): Floyd Casey Stadium (50,000)  
Location: Waco, TX 76711  
For Tickets Call: (817) 755-1000  
Ticket Prices: \$22, 30 (110 Season)  
Enrollment: 12,000  
Campus Hero: Bill Glass, Mike Singletary  
Fun Fact: The oldest institution of higher education in Texas, Baylor was chartered in 1845 by the Republic of Texas.

### OKLAHOMA

Nickname: Sooners  
Team Colors: Crimson and Cream  
Home Field (Capacity): Oklahoma Memorial Stadium (75,004)  
Location: Norman, OK 73919





For Tickets Call: 1-800-456-4668  
 Ticket Prices: \$13, 15, 25, 30 (125 Season)  
 Enrollment: 25,000  
 Campus Hero: Billy Sims, Billy Vessels  
 Fun Fact: The Sooners' first mascot, from 1915 to 1928, was Rex, a sweater-clad stray dog who survived being lost and even poisoned.

## OKLAHOMA STATE

Nickname: Cowboys  
 Team Colors: Orange and Black  
 Home Field (Capacity): Lewis Field (50,614)  
 Location: Stillwater, OK 74078  
 For Tickets Call: (405) 744-5745  
 Ticket Prices: \$20, 25, 27, 60 (104, 129 Season; 260 Family Fun Pack)  
 Enrollment: 18,209  
 Campus Hero: Bob Fenimore, Barry Sanders  
 Fun Fact: Enormously popular recording artist Garth Brooks attended Oklahoma State.

## TEXAS

Nickname: Longhorns  
 Team Colors: Burnt Orange and White  
 Home Field (Capacity): Memorial Stadium (75,512)  
 Location: Austin, TX 78713  
 For Tickets Call: (512) 471-3333  
 Ticket Prices: \$25, 30, 35 (165 Season)  
 Enrollment: 47,957  
 Campus Hero: Earl Campbell, Tommy Nobis  
 Fun Fact: Cheerleader Harley Clark created the "Hook 'Em Horns" hand signal in 1955.

## TEXAS A&M

Nickname: Aggies  
 Team Colors: Maroon and White  
 Home Field (Capacity): Kyle Field (70,210)  
 Location: College Station, TX 77843  
 For Tickets Call: (409) 845-2311  
 Ticket Prices: \$25, 30 (150 Season)  
 Enrollment: 43,256  
 Campus Hero: King Gill (the original 12th man), John Kimbrough  
 Fun Fact: The George Bush Presidential Library will be located on the Texas A&M campus.

## TEXAS TECH

Nickname: Red Raiders  
 Team Colors: Scarlet and Black  
 Home Field (Capacity): Jones Stadium (50,500)  
 Location: Lubbock, TX 79409  
 For Tickets Call: (806) 742-3341  
 Ticket Prices: \$20, 25 (110 Season)  
 Enrollment: 23,952  
 Campus Hero: Donny Anderson, E.J. Holub  
 Fun Fact: Bangin' Bertha, the big end-zone bell rung after every Texas Tech score, was donated by the Santa Fe Railroad.

## BIG WEST

### BOISE STATE

Nickname: Broncos  
 Team Colors: Blue and Orange  
 Home Field (Capacity): Bronco Stadium (22,600)  
 Location: Boise, ID 83725  
 For Tickets Call: (419) 372-2762  
 Ticket Prices: \$9, 12, 15 (50, 60 Season)  
 Enrollment: 15,050  
 Fun Fact: The Broncos won the 1980 NCAA I-AA Championship and were runners-up for the I-AA title in 1994.

### IDAHO

Nickname: Vandals  
 Team Colors: Silver and Gold  
 Home Field (Capacity): Kibbie-ASUIDome (16,000)  
 Location: Moscow, ID 83844  
 For Tickets Call: (208) 885-6466  
 Ticket Prices: \$15, 16 (77 Season)  
 Enrollment: 11,730  
 Fun Fact: The Vandals' nickname was first coined before 1920 to refer to Hec Edmundson's Idaho basketball teams.

### NEVADA

Nickname: Wolf Pack  
 Team Colors: Blue and Silver  
 Home Field (Capacity): Mackay Stadium (31,545)  
 Location: Reno, NV 89557  
 For Tickets Call: (702) 784-4500  
 Ticket Prices: \$10, 15 (54, 84 Season)  
 Enrollment: 12,500  
 Fun Fact: Nevada is the only I-A team to be ranked in the top four in passing offense each of the past five seasons, including a No. 1 ranking in 1995.



## NEW MEXICO STATE

Nickname: Aggies  
 Team Colors: Crimson and White  
 Home Field (Capacity): Aggie Memorial Stadium (30,343)  
 Location: Las Cruces, NM 88003  
 For Tickets Call: (505) 646-1420  
 Ticket Prices: \$71 Season  
 Enrollment: 15,719  
 Fun Fact: Memorial Tower, now a restaurant, is the only surviving vestige of the original Aggie Memorial Stadium, used from 1950 to 1978.

## NORTH TEXAS

Nickname: Eagles  
 Team Colors: Green and White  
 Home Field (Capacity): Fouts Field (30,500)  
 Location: Denton, TX 76203  
 For Tickets Call: (817) 565-3558  
 Ticket Prices: not available at press time  
 Enrollment: 26,400  
 Fun Fact: North Texas' music school, the nation's second-largest, is the home of the One O'Clock Lab Band, 1992-93 Grammy nominees.

## UTAH STATE

Nickname: Aggies  
 Team Colors: Navy Blue and White  
 Home Field (Capacity): Romney Stadium (30,257)  
 Location: Logan, UT 84322  
 For Tickets Call: 1-800-249-BLUE  
 Ticket Prices: \$12, 17 (60, 72 Season; 140 Family Pass)  
 Enrollment: 20,371  
 Fun Fact: All-Americans Annette Viola Cottle, Carolyn Kirby and Elaine Roque helped to establish Utah State as a volleyball power in the 1970s and '80s.

## CONFERENCE USA

### CINCINNATI

Nickname: Bearcats  
 Team Colors: Red and Black  
 Home Field (Capacity): Nippert Stadium (36,000)  
 Location: Cincinnati, OH 45221  
 For Tickets Call: (513) 556-2287  
 Ticket Prices: \$14  
 Enrollment: 36,000  
 Campus Hero: Greg Cook, Ray Nolting  
 Fun Fact: Founded in 1819, Cincinnati is the oldest municipal institution of higher learning west of the Appalachian Mountains.

### HOUSTON

Nickname: Cougars  
 Team Colors: Scarlet and White  
 Home Field (Capacity): The Astrodome (60,000)  
 Robertson Stadium (22,000)  
 Location: Houston, TX 77204  
 For Tickets Call: (713) 743-9444  
 Ticket Prices: \$15, 20, 24







Enrollment: 29,733  
 Campus Hero: Andre Ware, Wilson Whitley  
 Fun Fact: Cougar golf teams have won 16 NCAA championships, more than any other school for a single sport.

## LOUISVILLE

Nickname: Cardinals  
 Team Colors: Red, Black and White  
 Home Field (Capacity): Cardinal Stadium (35,500)  
 Location: Louisville, KY 40292  
 For Tickets Call: (502) 852-5151  
 Ticket Prices: \$17, 22 (80, 110 Season; 280 Family Plan)  
 Enrollment: 22,000  
 Campus Hero: Browning Nagle, Tom Jackson  
 Fun Fact: The National Cheerleading Association named Aaron Flaker, as Louisville's Cardinal, mascot of the year in 1995.

## MEMPHIS

Nickname: Tigers  
 Team Colors: Royal Blue and Gray  
 Home Field (Capacity): Liberty Bowl Memorial (62,380)  
 Location: Memphis, TN 38152  
 For Tickets Call: (901) 678-2331  
 Ticket Prices: \$4, 10, 14, 18, 20 (55, 70, 90 Season)  
 Enrollment: 20,373  
 Campus Hero: James Earl Wright, Dave Casinelli  
 Fun Fact: The University of Memphis originated in 1912 as West Tennessee State Normal School.

## SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

Nickname: Golden Eagles  
 Team Colors: Black and Gold  
 Home Field (Capacity): M.M. Roberts Stadium (33,000)  
 Location: Hattiesburg, MS 39406  
 For Tickets Call: (601) 266-5418  
 Ticket Prices: \$16

Enrollment: 13,000  
 Campus Hero: Brett Favre, Louis Lipps  
 Fun Fact: Southern Miss teams were known as the Southerners until 1972.

## TULANE

Nickname: Green Wave  
 Team Colors: Olive Green and Sky Blue  
 Home Field (Capacity): Louisiana Superdome (69,065)  
 Location: New Orleans, LA 70118  
 For Tickets Call: (504) 861-WAVE  
 Ticket Prices: \$6, 12, 18 (108 Season)  
 Enrollment: 11,362  
 Campus Hero: Eddie Price, Don Zimmerman  
 Fun Fact: The Green Wave did not play to a tie in 325 games, placing them second in NCAA history to the last team they tied, Miami (Fla.), which had a streak of 334 games when the tiebreaker rule was passed this year.

## MAC

### AKRON

Nickname: Zips  
 Team Colors: Blue and Gold  
 Home Field (Capacity): Rubber Bowl (35,202)  
 Location: Akron, OH 44325  
 For Tickets Call: (216) 972-6920  
 Ticket Prices: \$9, 12 (45 Season, 90 Family Plan)  
 Enrollment: 26,032  
 Fun Fact: Akron's teams were originally nicknamed the Zippers in 1926.

### BALL STATE

Nickname: Cardinals  
 Team Colors: Cardinal and White  
 Home Field (Capacity): Ball State Stadium (16,319)  
 Location: Muncie, IN 47306  
 For Tickets Call: (317) 285-1474  
 Ticket Prices: \$2, 4 (10, 15 Season)

Enrollment: 19,100  
 Fun Fact: The school is named after the Ball brothers of Muncie, who donated its campus and buildings.

## BOWLING GREEN

Nickname: Falcons  
 Team Colors: Burnt Orange and Seal Brown  
 Home Field (Capacity): Doyt Perry Stadium (30,599)  
 Location: Bowling Green, OH 43403  
 For Tickets Call: (419) 372-2762  
 Ticket Prices: \$12, 15 (50, 60 Season)  
 Enrollment: 17,000  
 Fun Fact: Ivan Lake, sports editor of a Bowling Green newspaper, provided the Falcons nickname in 1927 after reading about falconry.

## CENTRAL MICHIGAN

Nickname: Chippewas  
 Team Colors: Maroon and Gold  
 Home Field (Capacity): Kelly/Shorts Stadium (20,086)  
 Location: Mount Pleasant, MI 48859  
 For Tickets Call: (517) 774-3045  
 Ticket Prices: \$6, 10, 12 (50, 60, 70)  
 Enrollment: 16,000  
 Fun Fact: The Chippewas have had only four head coaches since 1951.

## EASTERN MICHIGAN

Nickname: Eagles  
 Team Colors: Dark Green and White  
 Home Field (Capacity): Rynearson Stadium (30,200)  
 Location: Ypsilanti, MI 48197  
 For Tickets Call: (313) 487-2282  
 Ticket Prices: \$5  
 Enrollment: 24,000  
 Fun Fact: Founded in 1849 as Michigan State Normal College, Eastern Michigan was the first teacher-training school west of the Allegheny Mountains.





## KENT

Nickname: Golden Flashes  
Team Colors: Blue and Gold  
Home Field (Capacity): Dix Stadium (30,520)  
Location: Kent, OH 44242  
For Tickets Call: (216) 672-2244  
Ticket Prices: \$4, 5  
Enrollment: 32,000  
Fun Fact: Kent's school colors were orange and purple until a laundry mishap left the basketball team's uniforms dark blue and gold.

## MIAMI (OHIO)

Nickname: Redskins  
Team Colors: Red and White  
Home Field (Capacity): Yager Stadium (25,183)  
Location: Oxford, OH 45056  
For Tickets Call: (513) 529-3924  
Ticket Prices: \$6, 9, 12 (40, 50 Season)  
Enrollment: 16,000  
Fun Fact: Only two Miami players, John Pont (No. 42) and Bob Hitchens (No. 40) have had their jerseys retired.

## OHIO

Nickname: Bobcats  
Team Colors: Green and White  
Home Field (Capacity): Peden Stadium (20,000)  
Location: Athens, OH 45701  
For Tickets Call: (614) 593-1300  
Ticket Prices: not available at press time  
Enrollment: 18,484  
Fun Fact: Ohio's live bobcat mascots, Sir Winsalot and Paws, reside at the Columbus Zoo.

## TOLEDO

Nickname: Rockets  
Team Colors: Midnight Blue and Gold  
Home Field (Capacity): Glass Bowl Stadium (26,248)  
Location: Toledo, OH 43606  
For Tickets Call: (419) 537-2486  
Ticket Prices: \$13, 18, 23 (93 Season)  
Enrollment: 24,542  
Fun Fact: Toledo had three straight undefeated seasons from 1969 through 1971, one of only three modern major-college teams to do so.

## WESTERN MICHIGAN

Nickname: Broncos  
Team Colors: Brown and Gold  
Home Field (Capacity): Waldo Stadium (30,100)  
Location: Kalamazoo, MI 49008  
For Tickets Call: 1-800-992-7841  
Ticket Prices: not available at press time  
Enrollment: 25,673  
Fun Fact: Tim Allen, star of television's highly rated *Home Improvement*, graduated from Western Michigan in 1976.

## PACIFIC-10

### ARIZONA

Nickname: Wildcats  
Team Colors: Cardinal and Navy  
Home Field (Capacity): Arizona Stadium (56,167)  
Location: Tucson, AZ 85721  
For Tickets Call: (520) 621-2411  
Ticket Prices: \$5, 6, 8, 12, 13, 16, 24, 26 (27, 71, 122, 134 Season; 36 Family Pack)  
Enrollment: 35,000  
Campus Hero: Teddy Bruschi, Ricky Hunley  
Fun Fact: Student reporter Bill Henry of the *Los Angeles Times* coined Arizona's nickname in 1914, writing after a game, "The Arizona men showed the fight of wildcats."

### ARIZONA STATE

Nickname: Sun Devils  
Team Colors: Maroon and Gold  
Home Field (Capacity): Sun Devil Stadium (73,656)  
Location: Tempe, AZ 85287  
For Tickets Call: (602) 965-2831  
Ticket Prices: \$8.50, 11, 15, 17, 20, 22, 25, 27, 35, 60 (32, 65, 98, 110, 120, 134, 142, 149, 184, 284, 484 Season)  
Enrollment: 42,626  
Campus Hero: John Jefferson, Mark Tingstad  
Fun Fact: Baseball's Mr. October, Reggie Jackson, came to Arizona State on a football scholarship and lettered in 1965.

### CALIFORNIA

Nickname: Golden Bears  
Team Colors: Blue and Gold  
Home Field (Capacity): Memorial Stadium (75,662)  
Location: Berkeley, CA 94720  
For Tickets Call: (510) 642-5150  
Ticket Prices: \$8, 14, 22, 26 (149 Season)  
Enrollment: 31,000  
Campus Hero: Brick Muller, Kevin Moen  
Fun Fact: Cal's faculty includes eight Nobel Prize winners.

### OREGON

Nickname: Ducks  
Team Colors: Emerald Green and Lemon Yellow  
Home Field (Capacity): Autzen Stadium (41,698)  
Location: Eugene, OR 97401  
For Tickets Call: 1-800-WEB-FOOT, (541) 346-4461  
Ticket Prices: \$22, 28 (51, 102, 138 Season; 231 Family Pack)  
Enrollment: 17,600  
Campus Hero: Hollis Huntington, Chad Cota  
Fun Fact: In 1917, Oregon upset heavily favored Pennsylvania in the Rose Bowl, generating new respect for western football.

### OREGON STATE

Nickname: Beavers  
Team Colors: Orange and Black  
Home Field (Capacity): Parker Stadium (35,362)  
Location: Corvallis, OR 97331  
For Tickets Call: 1-800-GO-BEAVS  
Ticket Prices: \$20, 26 (126 Season)  
Enrollment: 15,000  
Campus Hero: Terry Baker, Gene Gray  
Fun Fact: Then-Beavers coach W.H. "Bill" Har-

giss is credited with first using the huddle in college football in 1918.

### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Nickname: Trojans  
Team Colors: Cardinal and Gold  
Home Field (Capacity): Los Angeles Memorial Stadium (94,159)  
Location: Los Angeles, CA 90089  
For Tickets Call: (213) 740-4672  
Ticket Prices: \$22, 35 (123 Season)  
Enrollment: 28,185  
Campus Hero: Russ Saunders, Garrett Arbelbide  
Fun Fact: John Wayne played tackle for the 1925-26 Trojans under his given name, Marion Morrison.

### STANFORD

Nickname: Cardinal  
Team Colors: Cardinal and White  
Home Field (Capacity): Stanford Stadium (85,500)  
Location: Palo Alto, CA 94305  
For Tickets Call: 1-800-BEAT-CAL  
Ticket Prices: \$23 (168, 203 Season)  
Enrollment: 13,075  
Campus Hero: Bill McColl, William K. Roosevelt  
Fun Fact: Stanford athletes won 10 gold medals, four silver and five bronze at the 1992 Olympics in Barcelona.

### UCLA

Nickname: Bruins  
Team Colors: Blue and Gold  
Home Field (Capacity): Rose Bowl (100,089)  
Location: Los Angeles, CA 90024  
For Tickets Call: (310) UCLA-101  
Ticket Prices: \$20, 24, 38 (122 Season)  
Enrollment: 34,000  
Campus Hero: Donn Moomaw, Jerry Robinson  
Fun Fact: The Bruins' first Rose Bowl victory, a 14-12 upset of top-ranked Michigan State in 1966, followed five unsuccessful bids.

### WASHINGTON

Nickname: Huskies  
Team Colors: Purple and Gold  
Home Field (Capacity): Husky Stadium (72,500)  
Location: Seattle, WA 98195  
For Tickets Call: (206) 543-6205  
Ticket Prices: \$26, 28 (160 Season)  
Enrollment: 34,000  
Campus Hero: Herman Brix (Bruce Bennett), Mario Bailey  
Fun Fact: Bruce Lee, the late martial arts expert and film star, was a Washington alumnus.

### WASHINGTON STATE

Nickname: Cougars  
Team Colors: Crimson and Gray  
Home Field (Capacity): Martin Stadium (37,600)  
Location: Pullman, WA 99164  
For Tickets Call: 1-800-GO-COUGS  
Ticket Prices: \$20, 28, 34 (100 Season)  
Enrollment: 19,500  
Campus Hero: Rueben Mayes, Mel Hein  
Fun Fact: *The Far Side* cartoonist Gary Larson is a WSU graduate who has received the Regents' Distinguished Alumnus Award.



## SEC EASTERN DIVISION

### FLORIDA

Nickname: Gators  
Team Colors: Orange and Blue  
Home Field (Capacity): Ben Hill Griffin Stadium at Florida Field (83,000)  
Location: Gainesville, FL 32604  
For Tickets Call: (904) 375-4683  
Ticket Prices: \$20 (120 Season)  
Enrollment: 34,500  
Campus Hero: Danny Wuerffel, Steve Spurrier  
Fun Fact: In 1992, Florida became the first school to win the SEC men's and women's all-sport trophies in the same year, a feat they repeated in 1993.

### GEORGIA

Nickname: Bulldogs  
Team Colors: Red and Black  
Home Field (Capacity): Sanford Stadium (86,117)  
Location: Athens, GA 30603  
For Tickets Call: (706) 542-1231  
Ticket Prices: \$22 (132 Season)  
Enrollment: 29,469  
Campus Hero: Herschel Walker, Charley Trippi  
Fun Fact: Twenty-three Georgia governors, including current governor Zell Miller, have been University of Georgia graduates.

### KENTUCKY

Nickname: Wildcats  
Team Colors: Blue and White  
Home Field (Capacity): Commonwealth Stadium (57,800)  
Location: Lexington, KY 40503  
For Tickets Call: (606) 257-1818  
Ticket Prices: \$14, 18 (106, 130 Season)  
Enrollment: 24,000  
Campus Hero: Sonny Collins, Wallace Jones  
Fun Fact: In 1950, Bob Gain became the first SEC player, and the only Kentucky player, to win the Outland Trophy.

### SOUTH CAROLINA

Nickname: Gamecocks  
Team Colors: Garnet and Black  
Home Field (Capacity): Williams-Brice Stadium (72,400)  
Location: Columbia, SC 29208  
For Tickets Call: (803) 777-2967 or 1-800-4SC-FANS  
Ticket Prices: \$20 (120 Season)  
Enrollment: 25,613  
Campus Hero: George Rogers, Joe Reaves  
Fun Fact: The Gamecocks had played in and lost eight bowl games before defeating West Virginia in the 1995 Carquest Bowl.

### TENNESSEE

Nickname: Volunteers  
Team Colors: Orange and White  
Home Field (Capacity): Neyland Stadium (91,902)

Location: Knoxville, TN 37901  
For Tickets Call: (423) 974-2491  
Ticket Prices: \$22  
Enrollment: 25,648  
Campus Hero: Peyton Manning, Reggie White  
Fun Fact: Charles Moore, a member of the Volunteers' inaugural team in 1891, chose the team's colors out of fondness for the daisies that grew so abundantly on The Hill in Knoxville.

### VANDERBILT

Nickname: Commodores  
Team Colors: Black and Gold  
Home Field (Capacity): Vanderbilt Stadium (41,000)  
Location: Nashville, TN 37212  
For Tickets Call: (615) 322-3544  
Ticket Prices: \$20, 25 (120 Season)  
Enrollment: 9,800  
Campus Hero: Bill Wade, Lynn Bomar  
Fun Fact: The 1915 Commodore team scored 514 points in 510 minutes of playing time, averaging more than a point a minute.

## WESTERN DIVISION

### ALABAMA

Nickname: Crimson Tide  
Team Colors: Crimson and White  
Home Field (Capacity): Bryant-Denny Stadium (70,123)  
Legion Field, Birmingham, AL (83,091)  
Location: Tuscaloosa, AL 35487  
For Tickets Call: (205) 348-6111  
Ticket Prices: \$22  
Enrollment: 20,000  
Campus Hero: Jay Barker, Johnny Mack Brown  
Fun Fact: Alabama's football teams were known as the Thin Red Line until 1906.

### ARKANSAS

Nickname: Razorbacks  
Team Colors: Cardinal and White  
Home Field (Capacity): Razorback Stadium (51,000)  
War Memorial Stadium, Little Rock, AR (53,727)  
Location: Fayetteville, AR 72702  
For Tickets Call: 1-800-982-HOGS  
Ticket Prices: \$20, 25 (65, 85 Season)  
Enrollment: 14,407  
Campus Hero: Lance Alworth, Wear Schoonover  
Fun Fact: The Razorbacks' live mascot in 1977, a wild hog named Ragnar, killed a coyote, a large domestic hog and seven rattlesnakes during his brief tenure.

### AUBURN

Nickname: Tigers  
Team Colors: Burnt Orange and Navy Blue  
Home Field (Capacity): Jordan-Hare Stadium (85,214)  
Location: Auburn, AL 36831  
For Tickets Call: (334) 844-4040  
Ticket Prices: \$22 (154 Season)  
Enrollment: 21,500  
Campus Hero: Bo Jackson, Tucker Frederickson

Fun Fact: Although "War Eagle!" is Auburn's battle cry, Auburn's teams have never been properly referred to as War Eagles.

### LOUISIANA STATE

Nickname: Tigers  
Team Colors: Purple and Gold  
Home Field (Capacity): Tiger Stadium (79,940)  
Location: Baton Rouge, LA 70894  
For Tickets Call: (504) 388-2184  
Ticket Prices: \$22 (151 Season)  
Enrollment: 24,186  
Campus Hero: Tommy Casanova, Billy Cannon  
Fun Fact: In 1907, LSU became the first U.S. college team to play on foreign soil when they travelled to the University of Havana and defeated the Cuban team 56-0.

### MISSISSIPPI

Nickname: Rebels  
Team Colors: Cardinal Red and Navy Blue  
Home Field (Capacity): Vaught-Hemingway Stadium (42,577)  
Location: Oxford, MS 38677  
For Tickets Call: 1-800-843-7709, (601) 232-7167  
Ticket Prices: \$10, 22, 25 (135 Season)  
Enrollment: 10,369  
Campus Hero: Chucky Mullins, Archie Manning  
Fun Fact: Ole Miss made 15 straight bowl appearances between 1957 and 1972, a national record at the time.

### MISSISSIPPI STATE

Nickname: Bulldogs  
Team Colors: Maroon and White  
Home Field (Capacity): Scott Field (40,656)  
Location: Starkville, MS 39762  
For Tickets Call: (601) 325-2600  
Ticket Prices: \$20  
Enrollment: 13,371  
Campus Hero: Frank Dowsing, Buddy Elrod  
Fun Fact: Bulldog fans' use of cowbells during games, popular since before WWII, was banned for SEC contests in 1974.

## WAC

## MOUNTAIN DIVISION

### BRIGHAM YOUNG

Nickname: Cougars  
Team Colors: Royal Blue and White  
Home Field (Capacity): Cougar Stadium (65,000)  
Location: Provo, UT 84602  
For Tickets Call: (801) 378-BYU1, 1-800-322-2981  
Ticket Prices: \$5, 11, 17 (30, 63, 84, 127 Season)  
Enrollment: 27,000  
Campus Hero: Robbie Bosco, Mohammed Elwonibi  
Fun Fact: BYU has more full-time students than any other private university in the country.



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## NEW MEXICO

Nickname: Lobos

Team Colors: Cherry and Silver

Home Field (Capacity): University Stadium (31,218)

Location: Albuquerque, NM 87131

For Tickets Call: (505) 277-2116, 1-800-905-3315

Ticket Prices: (\$10, 14 (54, 78 Season)

Enrollment: 23,753

Campus Hero: Terance Mathis, Stoney Case

Fun Fact: The Kit Carson Rifle, named for the legendary scout in the Arizona and New Mexico territories, is the trophy retained by the winning team in the Arizona-New Mexico rivalry.

## RICE

Nickname: Owls

Team Colors: Blue and Gray

Home Field (Capacity): Rice Stadium (70,000)

Location: Houston, TX 77204

For Tickets Call: (713) 522-6957, 1-800-800-7928

Ticket Prices: \$19 (85 Season; 120 Family Plan)

Enrollment: 2,600

Campus Hero: Dicky Maegle, Trevor Cobb

Fun Fact: Though it was built specifically for football, Rice Stadium has also become a major concert site, hosting such popular acts as Pink Floyd and the Eagles.

## SOUTHERN METHODIST

Nickname: Mustangs

Team Colors: Red and Blue

Home Field (Capacity): Cotton Bowl (68,252)

Location: Dallas, TX 75275

For Tickets Call: (214) 768-2902

Ticket Prices: \$12, 20 (60, 100 Season)

Enrollment: 9,014

Campus Hero: Bobby Wilson, Doak Walker

Fun Fact: SMU's football team was first nicknamed the Parsons in 1915.

## TEXAS CHRISTIAN

Nickname: Horned Frogs

Team Colors: Purple and White

Home Field (Capacity): Amon G. Carter Stadium (46,000)

Location: Fort Worth, TX 76129

For Tickets Call: (817) 921-7967

Ticket Prices: \$21 (52, 90 Season)

Enrollment: 6,975

Campus Hero: Sammy Baugh, Jim Swink

Fun Fact: TCU won 84 total football games during the 1930s, more than any other school in the country.

## TULSA

Nickname: Golden Hurricane

Team Colors: Old Gold, Royal Blue and Crimson

Home Field (Capacity): Skelly Stadium (40,385)

Location: Tulsa, OK 74104

For Tickets Call: (918) 631-4688

Ticket Prices: \$10, 15 (45, 60, 115 Season)

Enrollment: 4,800

Campus Hero: Steve Largent, Glenn Dobbs

Fun Fact: In 1922, Tulsa had a 9-0 record and outscored opponents 157-60.

## UTAH

Nickname: Utes

Team Colors: Crimson and White

Home Field (Capacity): Rice Stadium (32,500)

Location: Salt Lake City, UT 84112

For Tickets Call: (801) 581-6641

Ticket Prices: not available at press time

Enrollment: 27,100

Campus Hero: Luther Elliss, Frank Christensen

Fun Fact: Utah's gymnastics team won a record six consecutive national championships from 1981 to 1986.

## UTEP

Nickname: Miners

Team Colors: Orange, White and Blue

Home Field (Capacity): Sun Bowl (52,000)

Location: El Paso, TX 79968

For Tickets Call: (915) 747-5234

Ticket Prices: \$10, 15 (45, 60, 115 Season)

Enrollment: 17,500

Campus Hero: Sammy Garza, Fred Carr

Fun Fact: Early team nicknames included the Ore Diggers and the Muckers, references, like the Miners, to UTEP's origin in 1913 as the State School of Mines and Metallurgy.

## PACIFIC DIVISION

### AIR FORCE

Nickname: Falcons

Team Colors: Blue and Silver

Home Field (Capacity): Falcon Stadium (50,126)

Location: Colorado Springs, CO 80840

For Tickets Call: (719) 472-1895

Ticket Prices: \$18

Enrollment: 4,100

Campus Hero: Chad Hennings, Bart Weiss

Fun Fact: The Falcons have won the Commander-in-Chief's Trophy for the top service academy eight times in the last 11 years.



## COLORADO STATE

Nickname: Rams

Team Colors: Green and Gold

Home Field (Capacity): Hughes Stadium (30,000)

Location: Fort Collins, CO 80523

For Tickets Call: (970) 491-RAMS, 1-800-491-RAMS

Ticket Prices: \$16, 18, 30 (93, 99 Season)

Enrollment: 21,600

Campus Hero: Steve Bartalo, Greg Myers

Fun Fact: Thurman "Fum" McGraw, the Rams' first All-American in 1948 and 1949 and the school's athletic director from 1976-86, is the only Colorado State football figure in the WAC Court of Honors.

## FRESNO STATE

Nickname: Bulldogs

Team Colors: Cardinal and Blue

Home Field (Capacity): Bulldog Stadium (41,031)

Location: Fresno, CA 93740

For Tickets Call: (209) 278-DOGS

Ticket Prices: not available at press time

Enrollment: 18,902

Campus Hero: Kevin Sweeney, Henry Ellard

Fun Fact: Fresno State has won 24 championships in various leagues since 1922.

## HAWAII

Nickname: Rainbow Warriors

Team Colors: Green and White

Home Field (Capacity): Aloha Stadium (50,000)

Location: Honolulu, HI 96822

For Tickets Call: (808) 956-4481

Ticket Prices: \$14, 16 (112, 128 Season)

Enrollment: 19,062

Campus Hero: Al Noga, Gary Allen

Fun Fact: Hawaii teams were called the Deans until the last game of the 1923 season, a 7-0 home upset of Oregon State, during which a rainbow appeared over the field.

## SAN DIEGO STATE

Nickname: Aztecs

Team Colors: Scarlet and Black

Home Field (Capacity): San Diego Jack Murphy Stadium (61,121)

Location: San Diego, CA 92182

For Tickets Call: (619) 283-SDSU

Ticket Prices: \$10.50, 15, 20, 30 (40, 53, 55, 110, 155 Season; 25, 70, 100 Family Pack)

Enrollment: 29,000

Campus Hero: Marshall Faulk, Fred Dryer

Fun Fact: The Aztecs have not suffered a shutout since October 12, 1985.

## SAN JOSE STATE

Nickname: Spartans

Team Colors: Gold, White and Blue

Home Field (Capacity): Spartan Stadium (31,218)

Location: San Jose, CA 95192

For Tickets Call: (408) 924-1445

Ticket Prices: not available at press time

Enrollment: 27,000

Campus Hero: Mike Perez, Steve DeBerg



**Fun Fact:** Founded in 1857, San Jose State was the first college or university established on the West Coast.

## UNLV

Nickname: Rebels  
Team Colors: Scarlet and Gray  
Home Field (Capacity): Sam Boyd Stadium (32,000)

Location: Las Vegas, NV 89154  
For Tickets Call: (702) 895-3900  
Ticket Prices: \$40, 50, 80 Season)  
Enrollment: 20,239

Campus Hero: Randall Cunningham, Ickey Woods

**Fun Fact:** The Rebels' colors derive from the gray uniforms and red flag of the Confederacy.

## WYOMING

Nickname: Cowboys  
Team Colors: Brown and Yellow  
Home Field (Capacity): War Memorial Stadium (33,500)

Location: Laramie, WY 82071  
For Tickets Call: (307) 766-4850  
Ticket Prices: \$13 (72 Season, 30 Family Pack)  
Enrollment: 11,000

Campus Hero: Jay Novacek, Jim Kiick  
**Fun Fact:** Wyoming's school colors originated in 1895, when the colors of the brown-eyed susans at the school's first alumni banquet made a strong impression on the alumni present.

## INDEPENDENTS

### ARKANSAS STATE

Nickname: Indians  
Team Colors: Scarlet and Black  
Home Field (Capacity): Indian Stadium (33,410)  
Location: Jonesboro, AR 72467  
For Tickets Call: (501) 972-3453  
Ticket Prices: \$10, 15.50 (40, 75 Season; 95 Family Plan)  
Enrollment: 9,600

**Fun Fact:** The 1970 Indians were the first team from Arkansas to become undisputed national football champions, winning college-division honors after an 11-0 campaign.

### ARMY

Nickname: Cadets, Black Knights  
Team Colors: Black, Gold and Gray  
Home Field (Capacity): Michie Stadium (39,929)  
Location: West Point, NY 10996  
For Tickets Call: (914) 938-2526  
Ticket Prices: \$14, 20, 22 (68, 110 Season)  
Enrollment: 4,000

Campus Hero: Pete Dawkins, John Green  
**Fun Fact:** Before he began his military career, General Douglas MacArthur served as manager of the Cadets' football team in 1903.

### CENTRAL FLORIDA

Nickname: Golden Knights  
Team Colors: Black and Gold  
Home Field (Capacity): Citrus Bowl (70,349)  
Location: Orlando, FL 32816  
For Tickets Call: (407) 823-1000  
Ticket Prices: \$15 (75 Season)  
Enrollment: 25,000  
**Fun Fact:** The Golden Knights have not been shut out in a football game since 1984.

### EAST CAROLINA

Nickname: Pirates  
Team Colors: Purple and Gold  
Home Field (Capacity): Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium (35,000)  
Location: Greenville, NC 27858  
For Tickets Call: (919) 328-4500, 1-800-DIAL-ECU  
Ticket Prices: \$18, 19 (90 Season)  
Enrollment: 16,375  
Campus Hero: Jeff Blake, Carlester Crumpler  
**Fun Fact:** Since 1955, the Pirates have a 32-8 record in Homecoming games.

### LOUISIANA TECH

Nickname: Bulldogs  
Team Colors: Blue and Red  
Home Field (Capacity): Joe Aillet Stadium (30,200)  
Location: Ruston, LA 71272  
For Tickets Call: (318) 257-3631  
Ticket Prices: \$12, 15 (48, 60 Season)  
Enrollment: 10,048  
**Fun Fact:** The Bulldogs won the NCAA's first Division II national championship game in 1973, defeating Western Kentucky 34-0.

### NAVY

Nickname: Mids, Midshipmen  
Team Colors: Navy Blue and Gold  
Home Field (Capacity): Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium (30,000)  
Location: Annapolis, MD 21012  
For Tickets Call: 1-800-US4-NAVY  
Ticket Prices: \$18 (72 Season)  
Enrollment: 4,100  
Campus Hero: Tom Hamilton, Napoleon McCallum  
**Fun Fact:** The 1910 Navy team did not give up any points, their 8-0-1 record marred only by a scoreless tie against Rutgers.

### NORTHEAST LOUISIANA

Nickname: Indians  
Team Colors: Maroon and Gold  
Home Field (Capacity): Malone Stadium (30,427)  
Location: Monroe, LA 71209  
For Tickets Call: (318) 342-NLU1  
Ticket Prices: \$8, 11, 13 (30, 45, 55 Season)  
Enrollment: 11,379  
**Fun Fact:** The team's nickname is as old as the school, which began as Ouachita Parish Junior College in 1931.

### NORTHERN ILLINOIS

Nickname: Huskies  
Team Colors: Cardinal and Black  
Home Field (Capacity): Huskie Stadium (31,000)  
Location: DeKalb, IL 60115  
For Tickets Call: (815) 753-9562  
Ticket Prices: \$7, 13  
Enrollment: 22,881  
**Fun Fact:** The 1963 Huskies went undefeated (10-0) and were voted the nation's best college-division team by the NAIA and the Associated Press.

### NOTRE DAME

Nickname: Fighting Irish  
Team Colors: Gold and Blue  
Home Field (Capacity): Notre Dame Stadium (59,075)  
Location: South Bend, IN 46556  
For Tickets Call: (219) 631-7356  
Ticket Prices: \$32  
Enrollment: 10,126  
Campus Hero: George Gipp, Chris Zorich  
**Fun Fact:** In 1929, while their new stadium was being built, the Irish played no home games but still refused to lose, earning a perfect 9-0 mark.

### SOUTHWESTERN LOUISIANA

Nickname: Ragin' Cajuns  
Team Colors: Vermillion and White  
Home Field (Capacity): Cajun Field (31,000)  
Location: Lafayette, LA 70506  
For Tickets Call: (318) 482-6329  
Ticket Prices: \$10, 13, 15, 16, 20 (55, 70, 120, 185 Season)  
Enrollment: 17,000  
**Fun Fact:** Affectionately known as The Swamp, Cajun Field's playing surface lies below sea level and is maintained through a complex pumping and drainage system.

### UAB

Nickname: Blazers  
Team Colors: Green, Gold and White  
Home Field (Capacity): Legion Field (83,091)  
Location: Birmingham, AL 35294  
For Tickets Call: (205) 975-8221  
Ticket Prices: \$5, 10 (40, 50, 60 Season)  
Enrollment: 16,252  
**Fun Fact:** The Blazers have a 19-7-1 record at Legion Field.



## 1995 STUDENT ATHLETE AWARD



Athlon is proud to announce the winner of our 1995 Student Athlete Award:

**Lincoln Terrance Ware**  
from Flat Shoals School, Decatur, Georgia

A fifth-grade student with a 4.0 grade-point average, Terrance is a member of the Junior Beta Club and has been selected as Citizen of the Month and Quarter several times. He participates in the gifted student program as well as in baseball, football and basketball. Among the numerous honors Terrance has received: All-America Candidate for the Georgia Youth Football Association and Outstanding Student Athlete Award.

**Terrance will receive a Team Jacket and Cap, plus an official football, basketball and baseball. Congratulations to Terrance — we know we'll be hearing more about him in the years to come!**

The Athlon Sports Student Athlete Award recognizes student-athletes ages 8 to 12 years who excel both in the classroom and on the athletic field. Judging criteria includes academic achievement, athletic participation and community service.

This year, we received many applications highlighting athletically and academically gifted young people, and we feel each entrant is a winner. Selecting the Athlon Sports Student Athlete for 1996 was a most difficult task. Listed are this year's finalists, including the first and second runners-up and 10 honorable mentions.

**First Runner-Up:**

Brandon David Strickland, Baton Rouge, LA

**Second Runner-Up:**

Catherine Elizabeth Gifford, Dothan, AL

**Honorable Mention:**

Kylee Nicole Belflower, Oklahoma City, OK  
Kevin Bigelow, Boonsboro, MD  
Derek Allan Freeman, Piedmont, AL  
Andrea Kay Kidd, Gadsden, AL  
Lowell Blake Krieg, Roseburg, OR  
Drew Liegeois, Franklin, TN  
Bradley M. Locke, Sanford, FL  
A. Matthew Long, Jim Thorpe, PA  
Mulik Ahmad Sheets, Ellenwood, GA  
Mike D. Norman, Irvine, CA  
*Congratulations to everyone who entered.*

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If you have a child, niece, nephew, grandchild, student or player that deserves to be recognized, send a postcard for complete information, details, rules and regulations. Be sure to include your name, address, phone number, and the age and name of the child you wish to nominate. Send the card and information to:

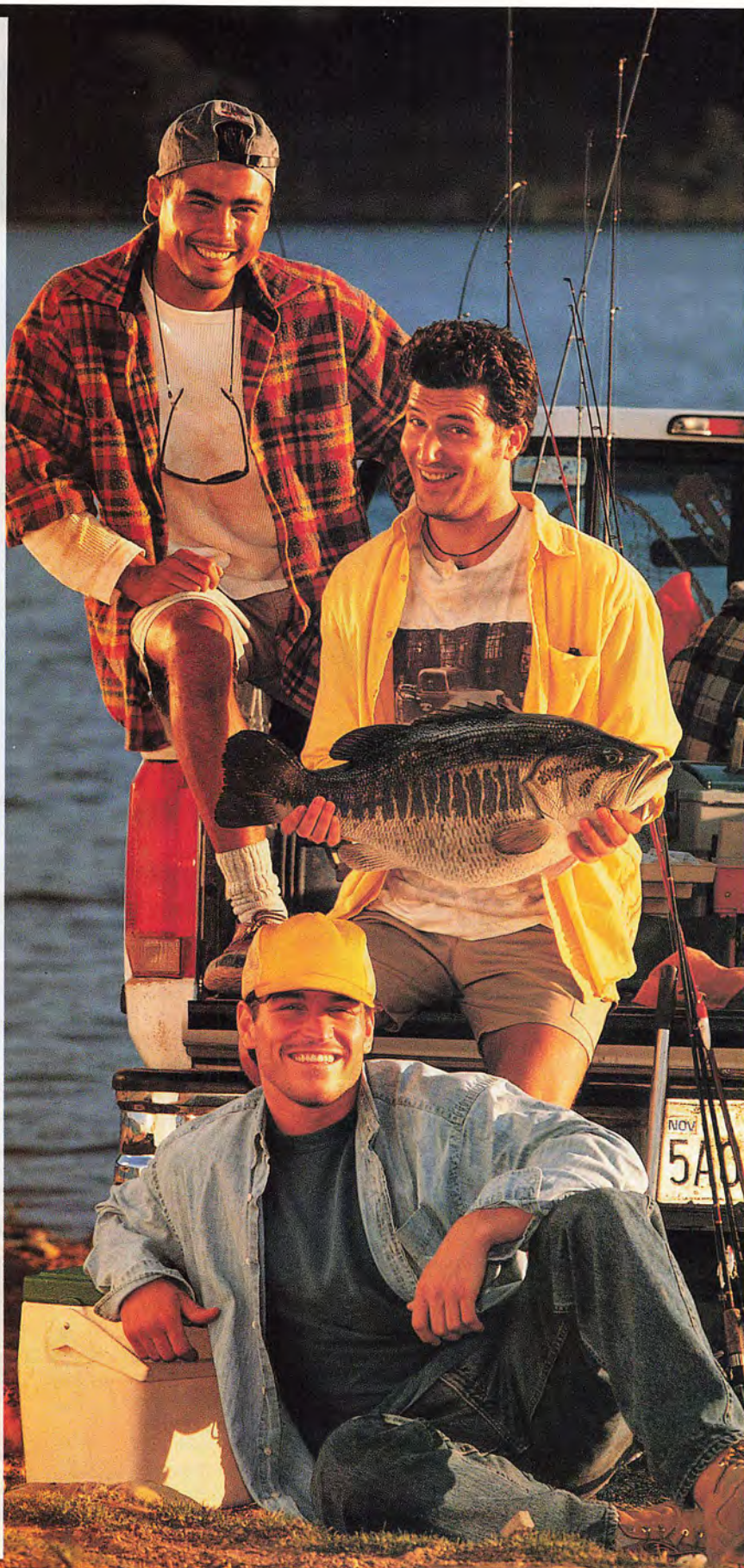
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<b>CLEMSON</b> CLEMSON S.C. (8-4)	<b>DUKE</b> DURHAM, N.C. (3-8)	<b>FLORIDA STATE</b> TALLAHASSEE, FLA. (10-2)	<b>GEORGIA TECH</b> ATLANTA, GA. (6-5)	<b>MARYLAND</b> COLLEGE PARK, MD. (6-5)	<b>NORTH CAROLINA</b> CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (7-5)	<b>N.C. STATE</b> RALEIGH, N.C. (3-8)	<b>VIRGINIA</b> CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA. (9-4)	<b>WAKE FOREST</b> WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. (1-10)
A.31 NORTH CAROLINA	S.7 FLORIDA STATE	S.7 DUKE*	S.7 N.C. STATE	A.31 N. ILLINOIS*	A.31 CLEMSON*	S.7 GEORGIA TECH*	S.7 C. MICHIGAN*	A.31 APPALACHIAN ST.*
S.7 FURMAN*	S.14 NORTHWESTERN*	S.19 N.C. STATE	S.14 WAKE FOREST*	S.7 UAB*	S.7 SYRACUSE*	S.19 FLORIDA STATE*	S.14 MARYLAND*	S.7 NORTHWESTERN*
S.21 MISSOURI	S.21 ARMY	S.28 NORTH CAROLINA*	S.21 DUKE*	S.14 VIRGINIA	S.21 GEORGIA TECH*	S.28 PURDUE	S.21 WAKE FOREST	S.14 GEORGIA TECH
S.28 WAKE FOREST*	S.28 GEORGIA TECH	O.5 CLEMSON*	S.28 DUKE*	S.26 WEST VIRGINIA	S.28 FLORIDA STATE	O.5 MARYLAND	S.28 TEXAS*	S.21 VIRGINIA*
O.5 FLORIDA STATE	O.5 NAVY	O.12 MIAMI (FL)	O.5 VIRGINIA*	O.5 N.C. STATE*	O.5 WAKE FOREST	O.12 ALABAMA*	O.5 GEORGIA TECH	S.28 CLEMSON
O.12 DUKE	O.12 CLEMSON*	O.26 VIRGINIA*	O.19 CLEMSON	O.12 NORTH CAROLINA	O.12 MARYLAND*	O.19 VIRGINIA	O.19 N.C. STATE*	O.5 NORTH CAROLINA*
O.19 GEORGIA TECH*	O.26 MARYLAND*	N.2 GEORGIA TECH	O.26 C. FLORIDA*	O.19 WAKE FOREST*	O.26 HOUSTON	N.2 NORTH CAROLINA	O.26 FLORIDA STATE	O.19 MARYLAND
N.2 MARYLAND*	N.2 VIRGINIA*	N.9 WAKE FOREST*	N.2 FLORIDA STATE*	O.26 DUKE	N.2 N.C. STATE*	N.9 DUKE*	N.2 DUKE	O.26 NAVY*
N.9 VIRGINIA	N.9 N.C. STATE	N.16 SOUTHERN MISS*	N.14 MARYLAND	N.2 CLEMSON	N.9 LOUISVILLE*	N.16 CLEMSON	N.9 CLEMSON*	O.5 FLORIDA STATE*
N.16 N.C. STATE*	N.16 WAKE FOREST	N.23 MARYLAND*	N.23 NAVY*	N.14 GEORGIA TECH*	N.16 VIRGINIA	N.23 WAKE FOREST*	N.16 NORTH CAROLINA*	N.16 DUKE*
N.23 SOUTH CAROLINA*	N.23 NORTH CAROLINA*	N.30 FLORIDA*	N.30 GEORGIA	N.23 FLORIDA STATE*	N.23 DUKE	N.30 EAST CAROLINA*	N.29 VIRGINIA TECH	N.23 N.C. STATE
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## BIG EAST

<b>BOSTON COLLEGE</b> CHESTNUT HILL, MASS. (4-8)	<b>MIAMI</b> CORAL GABLES, FLA. (8-3)	<b>PITTSBURGH</b> PITTSBURGH, PA. (2-9)	<b>RUTGERS</b> NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J. (4-7)	<b>SYRACUSE</b> SYRACUSE, N.Y. (9-3)	<b>TEMPLE</b> PHILADELPHIA, PA. (1-10)	<b>VIRGINIA TECH</b> BLacksBURG, VA. (10-2)	<b>WEST VIRGINIA</b> MORGANTOWN, W.VA. (5-6)
A.31 HAWAII	A.31 MEMPHIS	A.31 WEST VIRGINIA*	A.31 VILLANOVA*	S.7 NORTH CAROLINA*	A.31 E. MICHIGAN	S.7 AKRON	A.31 PITTSBURGH
S.14 VIRGINIA TECH*	S.7 THE CITADEL*	S.7 KENT*	S.7 NAVY*	S.21 MINNESOTA	S.7 WASHINGTON ST.*	S.14 BOSTON COLLEGE	S.7 W. MICHIGAN*
S.21 MICHIGAN	S.12 RUTGERS	S.14 HOUSTON*	S.12 MIAMI (FL)*	S.28 VIRGINIA TECH*	S.14 BOWLING GREEN	S.21 RUTGERS*	S.14 EAST CAROLINA*
S.28 NAVY*	S.28 PITTSBURGH*	S.21 OHIO STATE	S.21 VIRGINIA TECH	O.5 RUTGERS*	S.21 PENN STATE*	S.28 SYRACUSE	S.21 PURDUE
O.5 WEST VIRGINIA	O.12 FLORIDA STATE*	S.28 MIAMI (FL)	S.28 SYRACUSE	O.5 PITTSBURGH*	O.12 TEMPLE*	S.26 MARYLAND*	S.26 MARYLAND*
O.12 CINCINNATI	O.19 EAST CAROLINA*	O.5 TEMPLE*	O.12 ARMY*	O.26 BOSTON COLLEGE	O.12 VIRGINIA TECH*	O.26 PITTSBURGH*	O.5 BOSTON COLLEGE*
O.19 RUTGERS*	O.26 WEST VIRGINIA	O.12 SYRACUSE	O.19 BOSTON COLLEGE	N.2 WEST VIRGINIA	O.19 WEST VIRGINIA*	N.2 SW LOUISIANA*	O.19 TEMPLE
O.26 SYRACUSE*	N.2 TEMPLE	O.26 VIRGINIA TECH	O.26 TEMPLE*	N.9 TULANE	O.26 RUTGERS	N.9 EAST CAROLINA*	O.26 MIAMI (FL)*
O.31 PITTSBURGH	N.16 VIRGINIA TECH*	O.31 BOSTON COLLEGE*	N.9 WEST VIRGINIA*	N.16 ARMY*	N.2 MIAMI (FL)*	N.16 MIAMI (FL)	N.2 SYRACUSE*
N.9 NOTRE DAME*	N.23 BOSTON COLLEGE*	N.16 NOTRE DAME	N.23 NOTRE DAME	N.23 TEMPLE	N.16 BOSTON COLLEGE	N.23 WEST VIRGINIA*	N.9 RUTGERS
N.16 TEMPLE*	N.30 SYRACUSE	N.30 RUTGERS*	N.30 PITTSBURGH	N.30 MIAMI (FL)*	N.23 SYRACUSE*	N.29 VIRGINIA*	N.23 VIRGINIA TECH
N.23 MIAMI (FL)							

## BIG TEN

<b>ILLINOIS</b> CHAMPAIGN, ILL. (5-5-1)	<b>INDIANA</b> BLOOMINGTON, IND. (2-9)	<b>IOWA</b> IOWA CITY, IOWA (8-4)	<b>MICHIGAN</b> ANN ARBOR, MICH. (9-4)	<b>BAYLOR</b> WACO, TEXAS (7-4)	<b>COLORADO</b> BOULDER, COLO. (10-2)	<b>IOWA STATE</b> AMES, IOWA (3-8)	<b>KANSAS</b> LAWRENCE, KAN. (10-2)
A.31 MICHIGAN	S.7 TOLEDO	S.7 ARIZONA*	A.31 ILLINOIS*	S.7 LOUISIANA TECH	A.31 WASHINGTON ST.*	S.7 WYOMING*	A.31 BALL STATE*
S.7 USC*	S.14 MIAMI (OH)*	S.14 IOWA STATE*	S.14 COLORADO	S.14 LOUISVILLE	S.7 COLORADO ST.	S.14 IOWA	S.14 TCU
S.14 ARIZONA	S.21 KENTUCKY	S.21 TULSA	S.21 BOSTON COLLEGE*	S.21 OREGON ST.*	S.14 MICHIGAN*	S.21 NORTHERN IOWA*	S.28 UTAH
S.21 AKRON*	S.28 NORTHWESTERN*	O.5 MICHIGAN ST.*	S.28 UCLA*	O.5 TEXAS TECH	S.28 TEXAS A&M	S.28 MISSOURI*	O.5 OKLAHOMA
O.5 INDIANA*	O.5 ILLINOIS	O.12 INDIANA	O.5 NORTHWESTERN	O.12 NEBRASKA	O.12 OKLAHOMA ST.*	O.12 TEXAS A&M*	O.12 TEXAS TECH*
O.12 MICHIGAN ST.	O.12 IOWA*	O.19 PENN STATE	O.19 INDIANA*	O.19 KANSAS	O.19 OKLAHOMA ST.	O.19 OKLAHOMA ST.	O.19 COLORADO*
O.26 NORTHWESTERN	O.19 MICHIGAN	O.26 OHIO STATE	O.26 MINNESOTA	O.26 IOWA STATE*	O.26 TEXAS*	N.2 KANSAS*	O.26 NEBRASKA
N.2 IOWA*	O.26 PENN STATE*	N.2 ILLINOIS	N.2 MICHIGAN ST.*	N.2 TEXAS	N.2 MISSOURI	N.2 KANSAS*	N.2 IOWA STATE*
N.9 OHIO STATE*	N.9 MICHIGAN ST.	N.9 NORTHWESTERN*	N.9 PURDUE	N.9 TEXAS A&M*	N.9 IOWA STATE*	N.9 COLORADO*	N.9 KANSAS STATE*
N.16 MINNESOTA	N.16 OHIO STATE*	N.16 WISCONSIN*	N.16 PENN STATE*	N.16 MISSOURI*	N.16 KANSAS STATE*	N.16 NEBRASKA*	N.16 TEXAS*
N.23 WISCONSIN*	N.23 PURDUE	N.23 MINNESOTA	N.23 OHIO STATE	N.23 OKLAHOMA ST.	N.29 NEBRASKA	N.23 KANSAS STATE	N.23 MISSOURI

<b>MICHIGAN STATE</b> EAST LANSING, MICH. (6-5-1)	<b>MINNESOTA</b> MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. (3-8)	<b>NORTHWESTERN</b> EVANSTON, ILL. (10-2)	<b>OHIO STATE</b> COLUMBUS, OHIO (11-2)	<b>KANSAS STATE</b> MANHATTAN, KAN. (10-2)	<b>MISSOURI</b> COLUMBIA, MO. (3-8)	<b>NEBRASKA</b> LINCOLN, NEB. (12-0)	<b>OKLAHOMA</b> NORMAN, OKLA. (5-5-1)
A.31 PURDUE*	S.7 NE LOUISIANA	S.7 WAKE FOREST	S.7 RICE*	A.31 TEXAS TECH*	A.31 TEXAS	S.7 MICHIGAN ST.*	S.7 TCU*
S.7 NEBRASKA	S.14 BALL STATE*	S.14 DUKE	S.21 PITTSBURGH*	S.14 INDIANA ST.*	S.14 MEMPHIS*	S.21 ARIZONA STATE	S.21 SAN DIEGO ST.
S.21 LOUISVILLE*	S.21 SYRACUSE*	S.21 OHIO*	S.28 NOTRE DAME	S.17 CINCINNATI*	S.21 CLEMSON*	S.28 COLORADO ST.*	S.28 TULSA*
S.28 E. MICHIGAN*	S.28 PURDUE	S.28 INDIANA	O.5 PENN STATE*	S.21 RICE	S.28 IOWA STATE	S.21 KANSAS STATE*	O.5 KANSAS*
O.5 IOWA	O.12 NORTHWESTERN*	O.5 MICHIGAN*	O.12 WISCONSIN*	O.5 SMU	O.12 KANSAS	O.12 BAYLOR*	O.12 TEXAS*
O.12 ILLINOIS*	O.19 MICHIGAN ST.*	O.12 MINNESOTA*	O.19 PURDUE	O.12 MISSOURI	O.12 KANSAS STATE*	O.19 TEXAS TECH	O.19 BAYLOR
O.19 MINNESOTA	O.26 MICHIGAN*	O.19 WISCONSIN*	O.26 IOWA	O.19 TEXAS A&M	O.26 OKLAHOMA ST.*	O.26 KANSAS*	O.26 KANSAS STATE
O.26 WISCONSIN*	N.2 OHIO STATE	O.26 ILLINOIS*	N.2 MINNESOTA*	O.26 OKLAHOMA*	N.2 COLORADO*	N.2 OKLAHOMA	N.2 NEBRASKA*
N.2 MICHIGAN	N.9 WISCONSIN*	N.2 PENN STATE	N.9 ILLINOIS	N.9 KANSAS	N.9 NEBRASKA	N.9 MISSOURI*	N.9 OKLAHOMA ST.
N.9 INDIANA*	N.16 ILLINOIS*	N.9 IOWA	N.16 INDIANA	N.16 COLORADO	N.16 BAYLOR	N.16 IOWA STATE	N.16 TEXAS A&M
N.23 PENN STATE	N.23 IOWA*	N.16 PURDUE*	N.23 MICHIGAN*	N.23 IOWA STATE*	N.23 KANSAS*	N.29 COLORADO*	N.23 TEXAS TECH*
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<b>PENN STATE</b> UNIVERSITY PARK, PA. (9-3)	<b>PURDUE</b> WEST LAFAYETTE, IND. (4-5-2)	<b>WISCONSIN</b> MADISON, WIS. (4-5-2)	<b>OKLAHOMA STATE</b> STILLWATER, OKLA. (4-8)	<b>TEXAS</b> AUSTIN, TEXAS (10-2-1)	<b>TEXAS A&amp;M</b> COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS (9-3)	<b>TEXAS TECH</b> LUBBOCK, TEXAS (9-3)
A.25 USC*	A.31 MICHIGAN ST.	S.7 E. MICHIGAN*	A.31 SW MISSOURI ST.*	A.31 MISSOURI*	A.24 BYU*	A.31 KANSAS STATE
S.7 LOUISVILLE*	S.14 NOTRE DAME	S.14 UNLV	S.7 TEXAS TECH*	S.7 NEW MEXICO ST.*	S.14 SW LOUISIANA	S.7 OKLAHOMA ST.*
S.14 N. ILLINOIS*	S.21 WEST VIRGINIA*	S.21 STANFORD*	S.14 TULSA*	S.21 NOTRE DAME*	S.21 NORTH TEXAS*	S.21 GEORGIA
S.21 TEMPLE	S.28 N.C. STATE*	S.28 PENN STATE*	S.21 UTAH STATE*	S.28 VIRGINIA	S.28 COLORADO*	S.28 UTAH STATE*
S.28 WISCONSIN	O.5 MINNESOTA*	O.12 OHIO STATE	O.5 TEXAS	O.5 OKLAHOMA ST.	O.5 LOUISIANA TECH*	O.5 BAYLOR*
O.5 OHIO STATE	O.12 PENN STATE	O.19 NORTHWESTERN*	O.12 COLORADO	O.12 OKLAHOMA*	O.12 IOWA STATE	O.12 KANSAS
O.12 PURDUE*	O.19 OHIO STATE*	O.26 MICHIGAN ST.	O.19 IOWA STATE*	O.26 COLORADO	O.19 KANSAS STATE*	O.19 NEBRASKA*
O.19 IOWA*	N.2 WISCONSIN*	N.2 PURDUE*	O.26 MISSOURI	N.2 BAYLOR*	O.26 TEXAS TECH*	O.26 TEXAS A&M
O.26 INDIANA	N.9 NEBRASKA*	N.9 MINNESOTA*	N.2 TEXAS A&M*	N.9 TEXAS TECH	N.2 OKLAHOMA ST.	N.9 TEXAS*
N.2 NORTHWESTERN*	N.16 NORTHWESTERN	N.16 IOWA	N.9 OKLAHOMA*	N.16 KANSAS	N.9 BAYLOR	N.16 SW LOUISIANA*
N.16 MICHIGAN*	N.23 INDIANA*	N.23 ILLINOIS	N.23 BAYLOR*	N.29 TEXAS A&M*	N.29 TEXAS	N.23 OKLAHOMA
N.23 MICHIGAN ST.*		N.30 HAWAII	@IRVING, TX.	@DALLAS, TX.	@PIGSKIN CLASSIC, PROVO, UT	@IRVING, TX.
@KICKOFF CLASSIC, E. RUTHERFORD, N.J.						

## BIG WEST

<b>BOISE STATE</b> BOISE, IDAHO (7-4)	<b>IDAHO</b> MOSCOW, IDAHO (6-5)	<b>NEVADA</b> RENO, NEV. (9-3)	<b>NEW MEXICO ST.</b> LAS CRUCES, N.M. (4-7)	<b>NORTH TEXAS</b> DENTON, TEXAS (2-9)	<b>UTAH STATE</b> LOGAN, UTAH (4-7)
A.31 C. MICHIGAN*	A.31 WYOMING	S.7 OREGON	A.31 NEW MEXICO*	S.14 ILLINOIS ST.*	A.31 UTAH*
S.7 PORTLAND ST.*	S.7 SAN DIEGO ST.	S.14 MONTANA ST.*	S.7 TEXAS	S.14 ARIZONA STATE	S.7 CAL ST.-NORTH*
S.14 E. WASHINGTON*	S.21 MARY'S (CA)*	S.21 CALIFORNIA	S.14 UTEP	S.21 TEXAS A&M	S.14 SOUTHERN MISS
S.21 HAWAII	S.28 SW TEXAS ST.	S.28 KENT*	S.21 CAL ST.-NORTH*	S.28 ARMY*	S.21 OKLAHOMA ST.
S.28 NORTHWESTERN ST.*	O.5 CAL POLY-SLO	O.5 UNLV	S.28 LSU	O.5 N. ILLINOIS	S.28 TEXAS TECH
O.5 ARIZONA ST.	O.19 NEVADA*	O.12 BOISE STATE*	O.12 UTAH STATE*	O.12 VANDERBILT*	O.5 BYU*
O.12 NEVADA	O.26 UTAH STATE	O.19 IDAHO	O.19 NORTH TEXAS	O.19 TEXAS TECH	O.12 NEW MEXICO ST.
O.19 UTAH STATE	N.2 E. WASHINGTON*	O.26 SOUTHERN UTAH*	O.26 NEVADA*	O.26 NEVADA*	O.19 BOISE STATE
N.2 FRESNO ST.	N.9 NEW MEXICO ST.*	N.2 NEW MEXICO ST.*	N.2 NEVADA	N.2 UTAH STATE	O.26 IDAHO*
N.9 NORTH TEXAS	N.16 NORTH TEXAS	N.9 UTAH STATE	N.9 IDAHO	N.2 BOISE STATE	N.2 NORTH TEXAS*
N.16 NEW MEXICO ST.	N.23 BOISE STATE	N.16 ARKANSAS ST.*	N.16 BOISE STATE*	N.16 IDAHO*	N.9 NEVADA*
N.23 IDAHO					



# 1996 College Schedules

## CONFERENCE USA

### CINCINNATI

CINCINNATI, OHIO  
(6-5)  
A. 31 TULANE\*  
S. 7 KENTUCKY\*  
S. 14 KANSAS STATE  
S. 28 MIAMI (OH)\*  
O. 5 MEMPHIS  
O. 12 BOSTON COLLEGE\*  
O. 19 HOUSTON\*  
O. 26 LOUISVILLE  
N. 2 SOUTHERN MISS  
N. 16 UAB  
N. 23 NE LOUISIANA\*

### HOUSTON

HOUSTON, TEXAS  
(2-9)  
A. 31 SAM HOUSTON\*  
S. 7 LSU  
S. 14 PITTSBURGH  
S. 21 USC\*  
O. 5 SW LOUISIANA  
O. 12 MEMPHIS\*  
O. 19 CINCINNATI\*  
O. 26 NORTH CAROLINA\*  
N. 2 TULANE  
N. 9 SOUTHERN MISS\*  
N. 16 LOUISVILLE\*

### LOUISVILLE

LOUISVILLE, KY.  
(7-4)  
A. 31 KENTUCKY  
S. 7 PENN STATE  
S. 14 BAYLOR\*  
S. 21 MICHIGAN ST.\*  
S. 28 SOUTHERN MISS\*  
O. 12 TULANE  
O. 19 N. ILLINOIS\*  
O. 26 CINCINNATI\*  
N. 2 MEMPHIS\*  
N. 9 NORTH CAROLINA  
N. 16 HOUSTON

### MEMPHIS

MEMPHIS, TENN.  
(3-8)  
A. 31 MAIMI\*  
S. 7 MISSISSIPPI ST.\*  
S. 14 MISSOURI  
S. 21 TULANE\*  
O. 5 CINCINNATI\*  
O. 12 HOUSTON  
O. 19 SOUTHERN MISS  
O. 26 SW LOUISIANA  
N. 2 LOUISVILLE  
N. 9 TENNESSEE\*  
N. 23 EAST CAROLINA\*

### SOUTHERN MISS

HATTIESBURG, MISS.  
(6-5)  
A. 31 GEORGIA  
S. 7 ALABAMA@  
S. 14 UTAH STATE\*  
S. 21 SW LOUISIANA\*  
S. 28 LOUISVILLE  
O. 10 EAST CAROLINA  
O. 19 MEMPHIS\*  
O. 26 TULANE  
N. 2 CINCINNATI\*  
N. 9 HOUSTON  
N. 16 FLORIDA STATE  
@BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

### TULANE

NEW ORLEANS, LA  
(6-5)  
A. 31 CINCINNATI  
S. 14 RICE\*  
S. 21 MEMPHIS  
S. 28 TCU\*  
O. 5 AKRON\*  
O. 12 LOUISVILLE\*  
O. 19 ARMY  
O. 26 SOUTHERN MISS\*  
N. 2 HOUSTON\*  
N. 9 SYRACUSE\*  
N. 16 NAVY  
N. 23 LSU

## PAC TEN

### ARIZONA

TUCSON, ARIZ.  
(6-5)  
A. 31 UTEP\*  
S. 7 IOWA\*  
S. 14 ILLINOIS\*  
S. 21 WASHINGTON\*  
O. 5 WASHINGTON ST.\*  
O. 12 USC  
O. 26 OREGON STATE\*  
N. 2 CALIFORNIA  
N. 9 OREGON  
N. 16 UCLA\*  
N. 23 ARIZONA ST.\*

### ARIZONA STATE

TEMPE, ARIZ.  
(6-5)  
S. 7 WASHINGTON\*  
S. 14 NORTH TEXAS\*  
S. 21 NEBRASKA\*  
S. 28 OREGON\*  
O. 5 BOISE STATE\*  
O. 12 UCLA\*  
O. 19 USC  
O. 26 STANFORD  
N. 2 OREGON STATE  
N. 9 CALIFORNIA\*  
N. 23 ARIZONA

### CALIFORNIA

BERKELEY, CALIF.  
(3-8)  
S. 7 SAN JOSE ST.\*  
S. 14 SAN DIEGO ST.\*  
S. 21 NEVADA\*  
S. 28 OREGON STATE\*  
O. 5 USC  
O. 12 WASHINGTON ST.\*  
O. 26 UCLA\*  
N. 2 ARIZONA\*  
N. 9 ARIZONA ST.\*  
N. 16 OREGON  
N. 23 STANFORD\*

### OREGON

EUGENE, ORE.  
(9-3)  
A. 31 FRESNO ST.  
S. 7 NEVADA\*  
S. 14 COLORADO ST.\*  
S. 21 WASHINGTON ST.\*  
S. 28 ARIZONA ST.\*  
O. 5 UCLA\*  
O. 12 STANFORD  
O. 26 WASHINGTON\*  
N. 9 ARIZONA\*  
N. 16 CALIFORNIA\*  
N. 23 OREGON STATE

### OREGON STATE

CORVALLIS, ORE.  
(1-10)  
S. 7 MONTANA\*  
S. 14 USC  
S. 21 BAYLOR  
S. 28 CALIFORNIA  
O. 12 WASHINGTON ST.\*  
O. 19 STANFORD\*  
O. 26 ARIZONA  
N. 2 ARIZONA ST.\*  
N. 9 WASHINGTON\*  
N. 16 N. ILLINOIS\*  
N. 23 OREGON\*

### SOUTHERN CAL

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.  
(9-2-1)  
A. 25 PENN STATE@  
S. 7 ILLINOIS  
S. 14 OREGON STATE\*  
S. 21 HOUSTON  
O. 5 CALIFORNIA\*  
O. 12 ARIZONA\*  
O. 19 ARIZONA ST.\*  
O. 26 WASHINGTON ST.\*  
N. 2 WASHINGTON\*  
N. 9 STANFORD  
N. 23 UCLA  
N. 30 NOTRE DAME\*  
@WICKOFF CLASSIC,  
E. RUTHERFORD, N.J.

### STANFORD

CALIF.  
(7-4-1)  
S. 7 UTAH\*  
S. 14 SAN JOSE ST.\*  
S. 21 WISCONSIN  
O. 5 MISSISSIPPI ST.\*  
O. 12 OREGON\*  
O. 19 OREGON STATE  
O. 26 ARIZONA ST.\*  
N. 2 UCLA  
N. 9 USC\*  
N. 16 WASHINGTON ST.\*  
N. 23 CALIFORNIA

### UCLA

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.  
(7-5)  
S. 7 TENNESSEE  
S. 14 NE LOUISIANA\*  
S. 28 MICHIGAN  
O. 5 OREGON  
O. 12 ARIZONA ST.\*  
O. 19 WASHINGTON  
O. 26 CALIFORNIA  
N. 2 STANFORD\*  
N. 9 WASHINGTON ST.\*  
N. 16 ARIZONA  
N. 23 USC\*

### WASHINGTON

SEATTLE, WASH.  
(7-4-1)  
S. 7 ARIZONA ST.  
S. 14 BYU\*  
S. 21 ARIZONA\*  
O. 5 STANFORD\*  
O. 12 NOTRE DAME  
O. 19 UCLA\*  
O. 26 OREGON  
N. 2 USC  
N. 9 OREGON STATE\*  
N. 16 SAN JOSE ST.\*  
N. 23 WASHINGTON ST.

### WASHINGTON STATE

PULLMAN, WASH.  
(3-8)  
A. 31 COLORADO  
S. 7 TEMPLE  
S. 21 OREGON\*  
S. 28 SAN JOSE ST.\*  
O. 5 ARIZONA  
O. 12 OREGON STATE  
O. 19 CALIFORNIA\*  
O. 26 USC\*  
N. 9 UCLA  
N. 16 STANFORD  
N. 23 WASHINGTON\*

## WESTERN ATHLETIC

### AIR FORCE

COLO. SPRINGS, COLO.  
(8-5)  
A. 31 SAN JOSE ST.\*  
S. 7 UNLV  
S. 21 WYOMING  
S. 28 RICE\*  
O. 5 SAN DIEGO ST.  
O. 12 NAVY\*  
O. 19 NOTRE DAME  
O. 26 HAWAII\*  
N. 2 COLORADO ST.\*  
N. 9 ARMY  
N. 16 FRESNO ST.

### BRIGHTON YOUNG

PROVO, UTAH  
(7-4)  
A. 24 TEXAS A&M@  
S. 31 ARKANSAS ST.\*  
S. 14 WASHINGTON  
S. 21 NEW MEXICO\*  
S. 28 SMU\*  
O. 5 UTAH STATE  
O. 12 UNLV\*  
O. 19 TULSA  
O. 26 TCU  
N. 2 AIR FORCE  
N. 9 RICE\*  
N. 16 HAWAII  
N. 23 UTAH  
@PIGSKIN CLASSIC,  
PROVO, UT

### COLORADO STATE

FORT COLLINS, COLO.  
(8-4)  
A. 31 TENN. CHAT.\*  
S. 7 ARKANSAS ST.\*  
S. 14 OREGON  
S. 21 UNLV\*  
S. 28 NEBRASKA  
O. 5 HAWAII  
O. 12 UNLV  
O. 19 SAN JOSE ST.\*  
O. 26 SAN DIEGO ST.\*  
N. 9 AIR FORCE  
N. 16 FRESNO ST.  
N. 23 WYOMING\*

### FRESNO STATE

FRESNO, CALIF.  
(5-7)  
A. 31 OREGON\*  
S. 7 AUBURN  
S. 21 UTAH  
S. 28 HAWAII\*  
O. 12 SAN JOSE ST.\*  
O. 19 WYOMING  
O. 26 UNLV  
N. 2 BOISE STATE\*  
N. 9 COLORADO ST.\*  
N. 16 AIR FORCE  
N. 23 SAN DIEGO ST.

### HAWAII

HONOLULU, HAWAII  
(4-8)  
A. 31 BOSTON COLLEGE\*  
S. 7 OHIO\*  
S. 14 WYOMING  
S. 21 BOISE STATE\*  
S. 28 FRESNO ST.\*  
O. 5 COLORADO ST.\*  
O. 12 SAN DIEGO ST.\*  
O. 19 UNLV\*  
O. 26 AIR FORCE  
N. 9 SAN JOSE ST.\*  
N. 16 BYU\*  
N. 30 WISCONSIN\*

### NEW MEXICO

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M.  
(4-7)  
A. 31 NEW MEXICO ST.  
S. 7 N. ARIZONA\*  
S. 14 C. FLORIDA\*  
S. 21 AIR FORCE  
O. 5 NEW MEXICO\*  
O. 19 SMU\*  
O. 26 UTAH\*  
N. 2 TULSA  
N. 9 TCU  
N. 23 UTEP\*

### RICE

HOUSTON, TEXAS  
(2-8-1)  
S. 7 OHIO STATE  
S. 14 TULANE  
S. 21 KANSAS STATE\*  
S. 28 AIR FORCE  
O. 5 NEW MEXICO\*  
O. 19 SMU\*  
O. 26 UTAH\*  
N. 2 BYU  
N. 9 SMU\*  
N. 23 TULSA\*

### SAN DIEGO STATE

SAN DIEGO, CALIF.  
(8-4)  
S. 7 IDAHO\*  
S. 14 CALIFORNIA  
S. 21 OKLAHOMA\*  
S. 28 AIR FORCE\*  
O. 12 HAWAII\*  
O. 19 NEW MEXICO  
O. 26 COLORADO ST.  
N. 2 SAN JOSE ST.  
N. 9 WYOMING\*  
N. 16 UNLV  
N. 23 FRESNO ST.\*

### SAN JOSE STATE

SAN JOSE, CALIF.  
(3-8)  
A. 31 AIR FORCE  
S. 7 CALIFORNIA\*  
S. 14 STANFORD  
S. 21 UTEP\*  
S. 28 WASHINGTON ST.  
O. 5 WYOMING  
O. 12 FRESNO ST.  
O. 19 COLORADO ST.  
N. 2 SAN DIEGO ST.\*  
N. 9 HAWAII  
N. 16 WASHINGTON  
N. 23 UNLV\*

### SMU

DALLAS, TEXAS  
(1-10)  
A. 31 TULSA\*  
S. 7 ARKANSAS  
S. 14 UTAH\*  
S. 21 NAVY  
S. 28 BYU  
O. 5 MISSOURI\*  
O. 19 RICE  
O. 26 NEW MEXICO  
N. 2 WYOMING  
N. 9 UTEP  
N. 23 TCU\*

### TEXAS CHRISTIAN

FORT WORTH, TEXAS  
(6-5)  
S. 7 OKLAHOMA  
S. 14 KANSAS\*  
S. 21 NEW MEXICO  
O. 5 TULANE  
O. 12 UTEP\*  
O. 19 UTAH  
O. 26 BYU\*  
N. 2 UNLV\*  
N. 9 TULSA  
N. 16 RICE\*  
N. 23 SMU

### TULSA

TULSA, OKLA.  
(4-7)  
A. 31 SMU  
S. 14 OKLAHOMA ST.\*  
S. 21 IOWA\*  
S. 28 OKLAHOMA  
O. 12 COLORADO ST.\*  
O. 19 BYU\*  
O. 26 UTAH  
N. 2 NEW MEXICO\*  
N. 9 TCU  
N. 16 UTEP  
N. 23 RICE

### UNLV

LAS VEGAS, NEV.  
(2-9)  
A. 31 TENNESSEE  
S. 7 AIR FORCE\*  
S. 14 WISCONSIN\*  
S. 21 COLORADO ST.\*  
S. 28 WYOMING\*  
O. 5 NEVADA\*  
O. 12 BYU  
O. 19 HAWAII  
O. 26 FRESNO ST.\*  
N. 2 TCU  
N. 16 SAN DIEGO ST.\*  
N. 23 SAN JOSE ST.

### UTAH

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH  
(7-4)  
A. 31 UTAH STATE  
S. 7 STANFORD  
S. 14 SMU  
S. 21 FRESNO ST.\*  
S. 28 KANSAS\*  
O. 5 UTEP  
O. 19 TCU\*  
O. 26 TULSA\*  
N. 2 RICE  
N. 9 NEW MEXICO  
N. 23 BYU\*

### UTEP

EL PASO, TEXAS  
(2-10)  
A. 31 ARIZONA  
S. 14 NEW MEXICO ST.\*  
S. 21 SAN JOSE ST.\*  
S. 28 N. ILLINOIS  
O. 5 UTAH\*  
O. 12 TCU  
O. 26 RICE\*  
N. 2 BYU  
N. 9 SMU\*  
N. 23 NEW MEXICO

### WYOMING

LARAMIE, WYO.  
(6-5)  
A. 31 IDAHO\*  
S. 7 IOWA STATE  
S. 14 HAWAII\*  
S. 21 AIR FORCE\*  
S. 28 UNLV  
O. 5 SAN JOSE ST.  
O. 12 W. MICHIGAN\*  
O. 19 FRESNO ST.\*  
N. 2 SMU\*  
N. 9 SAN DIEGO ST.  
N. 16 COLORADO ST.

## MID-AMERICAN

### AKRON

AKRON, OHIO  
(2-9)  
A. 29 OHIO  
S. 7 VIRGINIA TECH\*  
S. 14 TOLEDO\*  
S. 21 ILLINOIS  
S. 28 W. MICHIGAN\*  
O. 5 KENT  
O. 12 C. MICHIGAN  
O. 19 MIAMI (OH)\*  
O. 26 N. ILLINOIS  
N. 2 BOWLING GREEN\*  
N. 9 E. MICHIGAN

### BALL STATE

MUNCIE, IND.  
(7-4)  
A. 31 KANSAS  
S. 7 MIAMI (OH)\*  
S. 14 MINNESOTA  
S. 21 C. FLORIDA  
O. 5 W. MICHIGAN  
O. 12 OHIO\*  
O. 19 BOWLING GREEN  
O. 26 C. MICHIGAN  
N. 2 E. MICHIGAN  
N. 9 KENT  
N. 16 TOLEDO\*

### BOWLING GREEN

MT. PLEASANT, MICH.  
(5-6)  
A. 31 ALABAMA@  
S. 14 TEMPLE\*  
S. 21 MIAMI (OH)  
S. 28 C. MICHIGAN\*  
O. 5 TOLEDO  
O. 12 KENT\*  
O. 19 BALL STATE\*  
O. 26 OHIO  
N. 2 AKRON  
N. 9 W. MICHIGAN\*  
N. 16 C. FLORIDA

### CENTRAL MICHIGAN

MT. PLEASANT, MICH.  
(4-7)  
A. 31 BOISE STATE  
S. 7 VIRGINIA  
S. 14 LOUISIANA TECH\*  
S. 21 W. MICHIGAN\*  
S. 28 BOWLING GREEN  
O. 5 MIAMI (OH)  
O. 12 AKRON\*  
O. 19 E. MICHIGAN\*  
O. 26 BALL STATE\*  
N. 2 KENT  
N. 9 TOLEDO  
@BIRMINGHAM, AL

### EASTERN MICHIGAN

YPSILANTI, MICH.  
(6-5)  
A. 31 TEMPLE\*  
S. 7 WISCONSIN  
S. 14 W. MICHIGAN  
S. 21 TOLEDO\*  
S. 28 MICHIGAN ST.  
O. 5 OHIO  
O. 12 MIAMI (OH)\*  
O. 19 C. MICHIGAN  
O. 26 KENT\*  
N. 2 BALL STATE\*  
N. 9 AKRON\*

### MIAMI

OXFORD, OHIO  
(8-2-1)  
A. 31 KENT\*  
S. 7 BALL STATE  
S. 14 INDIANA  
S. 21 BOWLING GREEN\*  
S. 28 CINCINNATI\*  
O. 5 C. MICHIGAN\*  
O. 12 E. MICHIGAN  
O. 19 AKRON  
O. 26 ARMY\*  
N. 2 TOLEDO  
N. 9 OHIO\*

### OHIO

ATHENS, OHIO  
(2-8-1)  
A. 29 AKRON\*  
S. 7 HAWAII  
S. 14 ARMY  
S. 21 NORTHWESTERN  
O. 5 E. MICHIGAN\*  
O. 12 BALL STATE  
O. 19 KENT  
O. 26 BOWLING GREEN\*  
N. 2 W. MICHIGAN  
N. 9 MIAMI (OH)  
N. 16 EAST CAROLINA  
N. 23 TOLEDO\*

### TOLEDO

TOLEDO, OHIO  
(11-0-1)  
S. 7 INDIANA\*  
S. 14 AKRON  
S. 21 E. MICHIGAN  
S. 28 WEBER STATE\*  
O. 5 BOWLING GREEN\*  
O. 12 LOUISIANA TECH  
O. 26 W. MICHIGAN\*  
N. 2 MIAMI (OH)  
N. 9 C. MICHIGAN\*  
N. 16 BALL STATE  
N. 23 OHIO

### WESTERN MICHIGAN

KALAMAZOO, MICH.  
(7-4)  
A. 29 E. ILLINOIS\*  
S. 7 WEST VIRGINIA  
S. 14 E. MICHIGAN\*  
S. 21 C. MICHIGAN  
S. 28 AKRON  
O. 5 BALL STATE\*  
O. 12 WYOMING  
O. 26 TOLEDO  
N. 2 OHIO\*  
N. 9 BOWLING GREEN  
N. 16 KENT\*

## SEC

### ALABAMA

TUSCALOOSA, ALA.  
(8-3)  
A. 31 BOWLING GREEN@  
S. 7 SOUTHERN MISS@  
S. 14 VANDERBILT\*  
S. 21 ARKANSAS\*  
O. 5 KENTUCKY\*  
O. 12 N.C. STATE  
O. 19 OLE MISS\*  
O. 26 TENNESSEE  
N. 9 LSU  
N. 16 MISSISSIPPI ST.  
N. 23 AUBURN@  
@BIRMINGHAM, ALA.  
+LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

### ARKANSAS

FAYETTEVILLE, ARK.  
(8-5)  
S. 7 SMU\*  
S. 21 ALABAMA@  
S. 28 NE LOUISIANA@  
O. 5 ARKANSAS\*  
O. 12 LOUISIANA TECH@  
O. 19 SOUTH CAROLINA  
N. 2 AUBURN  
N. 9 OLE MISS\*  
N. 16 TENNESSEE  
N. 23 MISSISSIPPI ST.  
N. 30 LSU@  
@LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

### AUBURN

AUBURN, ALA.  
(8-4)  
S. 7 FRESNO ST.\*  
S. 14 OLE MISS  
S. 21 LSU\*  
S. 28 UAB\*  
O. 5 SOUTH CAROLINA\*  
O. 12 MISSISSIPPI ST.  
O. 19 FLORIDA  
N. 2 ARKANSAS\*  
N. 9 NE LOUISIANA\*  
N. 16 GEORGIA\*  
N. 23 ALABAMA@  
@BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

### FLORIDA

GAINESVILLE, FLA.  
(12-1)  
A. 31 SW LOUISIANA\*  
S. 7 GA. SOUTHERN\*  
S. 21 TENNESSEE  
S. 28 KENTUCKY\*  
O. 5 ARKANSAS\*  
O. 12 MISSISSIPPI ST.  
O. 19 AUBURN\*  
N. 2 GEORGIA@  
N. 9 VANDERBILT  
N. 16 SOUTH CAROLINA\*  
N. 30 FLORIDA STATE  
@JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

### GEORGIA

ATHENS, GA.  
(6-6)  
A. 31 SOUTHERN MISS\*  
S. 14 SOUTH CAROLINA  
S. 21 TEXAS TECH\*  
O. 5 MISSISSIPPI ST.  
O. 12 TENNESSEE\*  
O. 19 VANDERBILT\*  
O. 26 KENTUCKY  
N. 2 FLORIDA@  
N. 9 AUBURN  
N. 23 OLE MISS\*  
N. 30 GEORGIA TECH\*  
@JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

### KENTUCKY

LEXINGTON, KY.  
(4-7)  
A. 31 LOUISVILLE\*  
S. 7 CINCINNATI  
S. 21 NEW MEXICO ST.\*  
S. 28 FLORIDA  
O. 5 ALABAMA  
O. 12 SOUTH CAROLINA\*  
O. 19 LSU  
O. 26 GEORGIA\*  
N. 9 MISSISSIPPI ST.\*  
N. 16 VANDERBILT\*  
N. 23 TENNESSEE

### LOUISIANA STATE

BATON ROUGE, LA.  
(7-4-1)  
S. 7 HOUSTON\*  
S. 21 AUBURN  
S. 28 NEW MEXICO ST.\*  
O. 5 VANDERBILT\*  
O. 12 FLORIDA  
O. 19 KENTUCKY\*  
O. 26 MISSISSIPPI ST.\*  
N. 9 ALABAMA\*  
N. 16 OLE MISS  
N. 23 TULANE\*  
N. 30 ARKANSAS@  
@LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

### MISSISSIPPI

OXFORD, MISS.  
(6-5)  
A. 31 IDAHO STATE\*  
S. 7 VMI@  
S. 14 AUBURN\*  
S. 21 VANDERBILT  
O. 3 TENNESSEE\*  
O. 19 ALABAMA  
O. 26 ARKANSAS ST.\*  
N. 9 ARKANSAS  
N. 16 LSU\*  
N. 23 GEORGIA  
N. 30 MISSISSIPPI ST.\*  
@JACKSON, MISS.  
+MEMPHIS, TN.

### MISSISSIPPI STATE

STARKVILLE, MISS.  
(3-8)  
S. 7 MEMPHIS  
S. 21 LOUISIANA TECH\*  
S. 28 SOUTH CAROLINA  
O. 5 GEORGIA\*  
O. 12 AUBURN  
O. 26 LSU  
N. 2 NE LOUISIANA\*  
N. 9 KENTUCKY  
N. 16 ALABAMA\*  
N. 23 ARKANSAS\*  
N. 30 OLE MISS

### SOUTH CAROLINA

COLUMBIA, S.C.  
(4-6-1)  
A. 31 C. FLORIDA\*  
S. 14 GEORGIA\*  
S. 21 EAST CAROLINA\*  
S. 28 MISSISSIPPI ST.\*  
O. 5 AUBURN  
O. 12 KENTUCKY  
N. 2 ARKANSAS\*  
O. 26 VANDERBILT  
N. 2 TENNESSEE\*  
N. 16 FLORIDA  
N. 23 CLEMSON

### TENNESSEE

KNOXVILLE, TENN.  
(11-1)  
A. 31 UNLV\*  
S. 7 UTAH\*  
S. 21 FLORIDA\*  
O. 3 OLE MISS@  
O. 12 GEORGIA  
O. 26 ALABAMA\*  
N. 2 SOUTH CAROLINA  
N. 9 MEMPHIS  
N. 16 ARKANSAS\*  
N. 23 KENTUCKY\*  
N. 30 VANDERBILT  
@MEMPHIS, TN

### VANDERBILT

NASHVILLE, TENN.  
(2-9)  
S. 5 NOTRE DAME\*  
S. 14 ALABAMA  
S. 21 OLE MISS\*  
O. 5 LSU  
O. 12 NORTH TEXAS  
O. 19 GEORGIA  
O. 26 VANDERBILT  
N. 9 UAB\*  
N. 9 FLORIDA\*  
N. 16 KENTUCKY  
N. 30 TENNESSEE\*





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## I-A INDEPENDENTS

### ARKANSAS STATE JONESBORO, ARK. (6-5)

A.31 BYU  
S. 7 AUSTIN PEAY\*  
S.14 UAB  
S.21 N. ILLINOIS\*  
O. 5 C. ARKANSAS\*  
0.12 SW LOUISIANA  
0.19 SE MISSOURI\*  
0.26 OLE MISS  
N. 2 EAST CAROLINA  
N. 9 LOUISIANA TECH\*  
N.16 NEVADA

### LOUISIANA TECH RUSTON, LA. (5-6)

A.31 MID. TN. ST.\*  
S. 7 BAYLOR\*  
S.14 C. MICHIGAN  
S.21 MISSISSIPPI ST.  
S.28 SW LOUISIANA\*  
O. 5 TEXAS A&M  
0.12 ARKANSAS@  
0.19 TOLEDO\*  
0.26 UAB\*  
N. 2 N. ILLINOIS  
N. 9 ARKANSAS ST.  
@LITTLE ROCK, AR.

### NOTRE DAME SOUTH BEND, IND. (9-3)

S. 5 VANDERBILT  
S.14 PURDUE\*  
S.21 TEXAS  
S.28 OHIO STATE\*  
0.12 WASHINGTON\*  
0.19 AIR FORCE\*  
N. 2 NAVY\*  
N. 9 BOSTON COLLEGE  
N.16 PITTSBURGH\*  
N.23 RUTGERS\*  
N.30 USC  
@DUBLIN, IRELAND

### ARMY WEST POINT, N.Y. (5-5-1)

S.14 OHIO\*  
S.21 DUKE\*  
S.28 NORTH TEXAS  
O. 5 YALE\*  
0.12 RUTGERS  
0.19 TULANE\*  
0.26 MIAMI (OH)  
0.26 OLE MISS  
N. 2 LAFAYETTE\*  
N. 9 AIR FORCE\*  
N.16 SYRACUSE  
D. 7 NAVY@  
@PHILADELPHIA, PA.

### NAVY ANNAPOLIS, MD. (5-6)

S. 7 RUTGERS  
S.21 SMU\*  
S.28 BOSTON COLLEGE  
O. 5 DUKE\*  
0.12 AIR FORCE  
0.26 WAKE FOREST  
N. 2 NOTRE DAME@  
N. 9 DELAWARE\*  
N.16 TULANE\*  
N. 2 N. ILLINOIS  
N. 9 ARKANSAS ST.  
@DUBLIN, IRELAND  
@PHILADELPHIA, PA.

### SW LOUISIANA LAFAYETTE, LA. (6-5)

A.31 FLORIDA  
S.14 TEXAS A&M\*  
S.21 SOUTHERN MISS  
S.28 LOUISIANA TECH  
O. 5 HOUSTON\*  
0.12 ARKANSAS ST.\*  
0.19 UAB  
0.26 MEMPHIS\*  
N. 2 VIRGINIA TECH  
N. 9 N. ILLINOIS\*  
N.16 TEXAS TECH

### CENTRAL FLORIDA ORLANDO, FLA. (6-5)

A.31 WM & MARY\*  
S. 7 SOUTH CAROLINA  
S.14 NEW MEXICO  
S.21 BALL STATE  
S.28 EAST CAROLINA  
0.12 SAMFORD\*  
0.19 NE LOUISIANA\*  
0.26 GEORGIA TECH  
N. 2 ILLINOIS ST.\*  
N. 9 UAB  
N.16 BOWLING GREEN\*

### NE LOUISIANA MONROE, LA. (2-9)

A.29 NICHOLLS ST.\*  
S. 7 MINNESOTA\*  
S.14 UCLA  
S.21 SAM HOUSTON\*  
S.28 ARKANSAS@  
O. 5 NORTHWESTERN ST.\*  
0.19 C. FLORIDA  
0.26 MISSISSIPPI ST.  
N. 9 AUBURN  
N.16 JACKSONVILLE ST.\*  
N.23 CINCINNATI  
@LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

### UAB BIRMINGHAM, AL (5-6)

A.31 AUBURN  
S. 7 MARYLAND  
S.14 ARKANSAS ST.\*  
S.21 JACKSONVILLE ST.\*  
O. 5 W. KENTUCKY\*  
0.19 SW LOUISIANA\*  
0.26 LOUISIANA TECH  
N. 2 VANDERBILT  
N. 9 C. FLORIDA\*  
N.16 CINCINNATI\*  
N.21 CHARLESTON SOU.\*

### EAST CAROLINA GREENVILLE, N.C. (9-3)

S. 7 E. TENN. ST.\*  
S.14 WEST VIRGINIA  
S.21 SOUTH CAROLINA  
S.28 C. FLORIDA\*  
0.10 SOUTHERN MISS\*  
0.19 MIAMI (FL)  
N. 2 ARKANSAS ST.\*  
N. 9 VIRGINIA TECH  
N.16 OHIO\*  
N.23 MEMPHIS  
N.30 N.C. STATE@  
@CHARLOTTE, N.C.

### NO. ILLINOIS DEKALB, ILL. (3-8)

A.31 MARYLAND  
S. 7 W. ILLINOIS\*  
S.14 PENN STATE  
S.21 ARKANSAS ST.  
S.28 UTEP\*  
O. 5 NORTH TEXAS\*  
0.19 LOUISVILLE  
0.26 AKRON\*  
N. 2 LOUISIANA TECH\*  
N. 9 SW LOUISIANA  
N.16 OREGON STATE

## BIG SKY

### CAL ST.-NORTHridge NORTHridge, CALIF. (2-8)

S. 7 UTAH STATE  
S.14 CAL-DAVIS\*  
S.21 NEW MEXICO ST.  
N. ARIZONA  
0. 5 PORTLAND ST.\*  
0.12 WEBER ST.  
0.19 MONTANA ST.\*  
0.26 CAL ST.-SAC.  
N. 2 MONTANA\*  
N. 9 IDAHO ST.  
N.16 E. WASHINGTON\*

### CAL ST.-SAC. SACRAMENTO, CALIF. (4-6-1)

S. 7 HOFSTRA  
S.21 CAL-DAVIS  
S.28 MONTANA\*  
O. 5 IDAHO ST.  
0.12 E. WASHINGTON\*  
0.19 N. ARIZONA  
0.26 CAL ST.-NORTH\*  
N. 2 PORTLAND ST.  
N. 9 WEBER ST.\*  
N.16 MONTANA ST.  
N.23 CAL POLY-SLO\*

### E. WASHINGTON CHENEY, WASH. (3-8)

S. 7 WEBER STATE  
S.14 BOISE STATE  
S.21 SW TEXAS\*  
S.28 PORTLAND ST.\*  
O. 5 MONTANA STATE\*  
0.12 SACRAMENTO ST.  
0.19 MONTANA\*  
0.26 IDAHO STATE  
N. 2 IDAHO  
N. 9 N. ARIZONA\*  
N.16 CAL ST.-NORTH

### IDAHO STATE POCATELLO, IDAHO (6-5)

A.31 OLE MISS  
S. 7 CAL POLY\*  
S.21 W. MONTANA\*  
S.28 MONTANA ST.  
O. 5 CAL ST.-SAC.\*  
0.12 MONTANA  
0.26 E. WASHINGTON\*  
N. 2 N. ARIZONA  
N. 9 CAL ST.-NORTH\*  
N.16 PORTLAND ST.\*  
N.23 WEBER ST.\*

### MONTANA MISSOULA, MONT. (13-2)

S. 7 OREGON STATE  
S.14 CAL POLY-SLO\*  
S.28 SACRAMENTO ST.  
O. 5 S. UTAH\*  
0.12 IDAHO ST.\*  
0.19 E. WASHINGTON  
0.26 N. ARIZONA\*  
N. 2 CAL ST.-NORTH  
N. 9 PORTLAND ST.\*  
N.16 WEBER ST.  
N.23 MONTANA ST.\*

### MONTANA STATE BOZEMAN, MONT. (5-6)

N. 2 NEVADA  
S.21 MINNESOTA-DULUTH\*  
S.28 IDAHO STATE\*  
O. 5 E. WASHINGTON  
0.12 NORTHERN ARIZONA\*  
0.19 CAL ST.-NORTH  
0.26 PORTLAND STATE\*  
0.19 CAL ST.-SAC.\*  
N. 9 CAL POLY-SLO\*  
N.16 CAL ST.-SAC.\*  
N.23 MONTANA

### NORTHERN ARIZONA FLAGSTAFF, ARIZ. (7-4)

A.29 W. NEW MEXICO\*  
S. 7 NEW MEXICO  
S.14 SOUTHERN UTAH\*  
S.21 PORTLAND ST.  
S.28 CAL ST.-NORTH\*  
O. 5 WEBER STATE\*  
0.12 MONTANA ST.\*  
0.19 CAL ST.-SAC.\*  
N. 9 CAL POLY-SLO\*  
N.16 CAL ST.-SAC.\*  
N. 9 E. WASHINGTON

### PORTLAND STATE PORTLAND, ORE. (6-5)

S. 7 BOISE STATE  
S.14 SONOMA STATE\*  
S.21 NORTHERN ARIZONA\*  
S.28 E. WASHINGTON  
O. 5 CAL ST.-NORTH  
0.12 CAL-DAVIS\*  
0.19 WEBER STATE\*  
N. 2 MONTANA STATE  
N. 9 SACRAMENTO ST.\*  
N.16 IDAHO STATE\*

### WEBER STATE OGDEN, UTAH (6-5)

S. 7 E. WASHINGTON\*  
S.14 SOUTHERN UTAH\*  
S.21 CAL POLY-SLO\*  
S.28 TOLEDO  
O. 5 N. ARIZONA  
0.12 CAL ST.-NORTH\*  
0.19 PORTLAND ST.  
N. 2 MONTANA ST.\*  
N. 9 SACRAMENTO ST.  
N.16 MONTANA\*  
N.23 IDAHO ST.

## GATEWAY

### ILLINOIS STATE NORMAL, ILL. (5-6)

A.29 BUFFALO  
S. 7 NORTH TEXAS  
S.14 S.E. MISSOURI\*  
S.21 YOUNGSTOWN ST.\*  
S.28 S. ILLINOIS\*  
O. 12 NORTHERN IOWA  
0.19 INDIANA ST.  
0.26 S.W. MISSOURI\*  
N. 2 C. FLORIDA  
N. 9 W. ILLINOIS  
N.16 TENNESSEE TECH\*

### INDIANA STATE TERRE HAUTE, IND. (7-4)

A.31 MARS HILL\*  
S. 7 KANSAS STATE  
S.14 E. ILLINOIS  
S.21 ST. JOSEPH\*  
S.28 LIBERTY  
O. 5 W. ILLINOIS  
0.12 S. ILLINOIS  
0.19 SW MISSOURI ST.\*  
0.26 ILLINOIS ST.\*  
0.26 W. KENTUCKY  
N. 9 N. IOWA\*  
N.16 SW MISSOURI\*

### NORTHERN IOWA CEDAR FALLS, IOWA (6-5)

A.31 SOUTHERN UTAH  
S. 7 ST. CLOUD ST.\*  
S.14 S.F. AUSTIN\*  
S.21 IOWA STATE  
S.28 MCNEESE ST.\*  
O. 12 ILLINOIS ST.\*  
0.19 SW MISSOURI ST.\*  
0.26 S. ILLINOIS  
N. 2 YOUNGSTOWN ST.  
N. 9 INDIANA ST.\*  
N.16 W. ILLINOIS\*

### SOUTHERN ILLINOIS CARBONDALE, ILL. (5-6)

A.31 C. ARKANSAS\*  
S. 7 TENN. MARTIN\*  
S.14 MURRAY STATE  
S.21 E. ILLINOIS  
S.28 ILLINOIS STATE  
O. 5 SW MISSOURI  
0.12 INDIANA STATE\*  
0.19 W. ILLINOIS\*  
0.26 N. IOWA\*  
N. 2 W. KENTUCKY  
N.16 SE MISSOURI\*

### SW MISSOURI STATE SPRINGFIELD, MO (4-7)

A.31 OKLAHOMA ST.  
S. 7 MCNEESE ST.  
S.14 TRUMAN ST.\*  
S.21 TENN-MARTIN  
S.28 JACKSONVILLE ST.\*  
O. 5 S. ILLINOIS\*  
0.19 N. IOWA  
0.26 ILLINOIS ST.  
N. 2 W. ILLINOIS\*  
N. 9 YOUNGSTOWN ST.\*  
N.16 INDIANA ST.

### WESTERN ILLINOIS MACOMB, ILL. (4-7)

A.29 NW OKL. ST.\*  
S. 7 N. ILLINOIS  
S.14 GLENVILLE ST.\*  
S.21 HOFSTRA  
O. 5 INDIANA STATE\*  
0.12 E. ILLINOIS  
0.19 S. ILLINOIS  
0.26 CAL-POLY-SLO\*  
N. 2 SW MISSOURI  
N. 9 ILLINOIS STATE\*  
N.16 N. IOWA

## METRO ATLANTIC

### CANISUS BUFFALO, N.Y. (4-6)

S.14 GANNON  
S.28 ST. PETER'S\*  
O. 5 IONA  
0.12 SIENA\*  
0.19 FAIRFIELD  
0.26 ST. JOHN'S\*  
N. 2 GEORGETOWN  
N. 9 MARIST  
N.16 DUQUESNE\*

### DUQUESNE PITTSBURGH, PA. (10-1)

S.14 MARIST\*  
S.21 ST. JOHN'S\*  
S.28 GANNON\*  
O. 5 SIENA  
0.12 ST. FRANCIS  
0.19 GEORGETOWN\*  
0.26 IONA\*  
N. 2 FAIRFIELD\*  
N. 9 ST. PETER'S  
N.16 CANISUS

### GEORGETOWN WASHINGTON, D.C. (10-1)

S.13 PENNSYLVANIA  
S.21 FAIRFIELD  
S.28 SIENA  
O. 5 MARIST\*  
0.12 IONA\*  
0.19 DUQUESNE  
0.26 FORDHAM  
N. 2 CANISUS\*  
N. 8 ST. JOHN'S  
N.16 ST. PETER'S\*  
N.23 HOLY CROSS\*

### IONA NEW ROCHELLE, N.Y. (3-6)

S.14 WAGNER\*  
S.21 IONA\*  
S.28 PACE  
O. 5 CANISUS\*  
0.12 GEORGETOWN  
0.19 SIENA\*  
0.26 DUQUESNE  
N. 2 ST. PETER'S\*  
N. 9 FAIRFIELD  
N.16 ST. JOHN'S\*

### MARIST POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y. (6-4)

S.14 DUQUESNE  
S.21 DUQUESNE\*  
S.27 FAIRFIELD\*  
O. 5 GEORGETOWN  
0.12 FAIRFIELD\*  
0.19 ST. JOHN'S\*  
0.26 ST. PETER'S\*  
N. 2 TOWSON ST.\*  
N. 9 CANISUS\*  
N.16 SIENA

### ST. JOHN'S JAMAICA, N.Y. (4-6)

S.14 SACRED HEART  
S.21 DUQUESNE\*  
S.27 FAIRFIELD\*  
0.12 ST. PETER'S  
0.19 MARIST  
0.26 CANISUS  
N. 2 SIENA\*  
N. 8 GEORGETOWN\*  
N.16 IONA  
N.28 STONY BROOK\*

### ST. PETER'S JERSEY CITY, N.J. (2-7)

S.21 SIENA\*  
S.28 CANISUS  
O. 5 FAIRFIELD  
0.11 SAINT JOHN'S\*  
0.19 WAGNER  
0.26 MARIST\*  
N. 2 IONA  
N. 9 DUQUESNE\*  
N.16 GEORGETOWN

### SIENA LOUDONVILLE, N.Y. (0-9)

S.21 ST. PETER'S\*  
S.28 GEORGETOWN\*  
O. 5 DUQUESNE\*  
0.12 CANISUS  
0.19 IONA  
0.26 FAIRFIELD\*  
N. 2 ST. JOHN'S  
N. 9 MONMOUTH  
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## MID-EASTERN

### BETHUNE-COOKMAN DAYTONA BEACH, FLA. (3-8)

A.31 MOREHOUSE\*  
S. 7 MORRIS BROWN\*  
S.14 MORGAN STATE  
O. 5 DELAWARE ST.\*  
O.12 HOWARD  
O.19 S. CAROLINA ST.  
O.26 ALBANY STATE\*  
N. 2 N.C. A&T  
N. 9 HAMPTON  
N.16 NORFOLK ST.\*  
N.23 FLA. A&M@  
@TAMPA, FLA.

### DELAWARE STATE DOVER, DEL. (6-5)

S. 7 LOCK HAVEN\*  
S.14 LIBERTY  
S.21 N.C. CENTRAL@  
S.28 NORFOLK STATE  
O. 5 B. COOKMAN  
O.12 HAMPTON\*  
O.19 FLORIDA A&M\*  
O.26 MORGAN STATE  
N. 2 S.C. STATE\*  
N. 9 N.C. A&T\*  
N.23 HOWARD  
@ATLANTIC CITY, NJ

### FLORIDA A&M TALLAHASSEE, FLA. (9-3)

A.31 TENNESSEE ST.  
S. 7 TUSKEGEE\*  
S.21 JACKSON STATE  
S.28 HOWARD\*  
O. 5 HAMPTON  
O.12 N.C. A&T\*  
O.19 DELAWARE STATE  
N. 2 MORGAN STATE\*  
N. 9 SOUTHERN  
N.16 S.C. STATE@  
N.23 B. COOKMAN+  
@ATLANTA, GA  
+TAMPA, FL

### HOWARD WASHINGTON, D.C. (6-5)

S. 7 MARSHALL  
S.13 HAMPTON\*  
S.21 VIRGINIA ST.\*  
S.28 FLORIDA A&M  
O.12 B. COOKMAN\*  
O.19 MOREHOUSE  
O.26 N.C. A&T\*  
N. 2 NORFOLK ST.  
N. 9 S.C. STATE  
N.16 MORGAN ST.\*  
N.23 DELAWARE ST.\*

## OHIO VALLEY

### AUSTIN PEAY CLARKSVILLE, TENN. (3-8)

S. 7 ARKANSAS ST.  
S.14 SAMFORD  
S.21 W. KENTUCKY\*  
S.28 SE MISSOURI  
O. 5 MURRAY STATE  
O.12 MID. TN. ST.  
O.19 TENNESSEE TECH\*  
O.26 TENNESSEE ST.  
N. 2 E. ILLINOIS\*  
N.16 E. KENTUCKY\*  
N.23 TENN-MARTIN\*

### EASTERN ILLINOIS CHARLESTON, ILL. (10-2)

A.29 W. MICHIGAN  
S.14 INDIANA ST.\*  
S.21 S. ILLINOIS\*  
S.28 TENN-MARTIN  
O.12 W. ILLINOIS\*  
O.19 MURRAY ST.\*  
O.26 TENNESSEE TECH  
N. 2 AUSTIN PEAY  
N. 9 S.E. MISSOURI  
N.16 MID-TN. ST.  
N.23 E. KENTUCKY\*

### EASTERN KENTUCKY RICHMOND, KY. (9-3)

S. 7 TROY STATE\*  
S.14 W. KENTUCKY  
S.21 APPALACHIAN\*  
S.28 TENNESSEE TECH\*  
O. 5 SE MISSOURI ST.\*  
O.19 MID. TN. ST.  
O.26 TENN-MARTIN  
N. 2 TENNESSEE ST.\*  
N. 9 MURRAY STATE\*  
N.16 AUSTIN PEAY  
N.23 E. ILLINOIS\*

### MIDDLE TENNESSEE MURFREESBORO, TENN. (7-4)

A.31 LOUISIANA TECH  
S. 7 TENNESSEE ST.  
S.14 TENN-CHATT.\*  
S.28 MURRAY STATE  
O. 5 JACKSONVILLE ST.  
O.12 AUSTIN PEAY\*  
O.19 E. KENTUCKY\*  
O.26 SE MISSOURI  
N. 9 TENN-MARTIN  
N.16 E. ILLINOIS\*  
N.23 TENNESSEE TECH\*

### MORGAN STATE BALTIMORE, MD. (1-10)

A.31 CENTRAL STATE  
S.14 B. COOKMAN\*  
S.21 LIBERTY\*  
S.28 CHEYNEY  
O. 5 S. CAROLINA ST.  
O.19 N. CAROLINA A&T  
O.26 DELAWARE ST.\*  
N. 2 FLORIDA A&M  
N. 9 TEXAS SOUTHERN  
N.16 HOWARD  
N.23 HAMPTON\*

### N. CAROLINA A&T GREENSBORO, N.C. (4-7)

A.31 N.C. CENTRAL  
S. 7 WIN. SALEM ST.\*  
S.14 FAYETTEVILLE ST.\*  
S.21 HAMPTON  
O.12 FLORIDA A&M  
O.19 MORGAN STATE\*  
O.26 HOWARD  
N. 2 B. COOKMAN\*  
N. 9 DELAWARE ST.  
N.16 GRAYELING  
N.23 S.C. STATE\*

### SOUTH CAROLINA ST. ORANGEBURG, S.C. (6-4)

A.31 GA. SOUTHERN\*  
S. 7 CHARLESTON SOU.  
S.14 FURMAN  
S.28 J.C. SMITH\*  
O. 5 MORGAN ST.\*  
O.19 B. COOKMAN\*  
O.26 HAMPTON\*  
N. 2 DELAWARE ST.  
N. 9 HOWARD\*  
N.16 FLORIDA A&M  
N.23 N.C. A&T

### MURRAY STATE MURRAY, KY. (11-1)

S. 7 W. KENTUCKY\*  
S.14 S. ILLINOIS\*  
S.21 SE MISSOURI ST.  
S.28 MID. TN. ST.\*  
O. 5 AUSTIN PEAY\*  
O.12 TENN-MARTIN  
O.19 E. ILLINOIS  
N. 2 TENNESSEE TECH\*  
N. 9 E. KENTUCKY\*  
N.16 TENNESSEE ST.\*  
N.23

### SE MISSOURI ST. CAPE GIRARDEAU, MO. (5-6)

S.14 ILLINOIS STATE  
S.21 MURRAY STATE\*  
S.28 AUSTIN PEAY\*  
O. 5 E. KENTUCKY  
O.12 TENNESSEE TECH  
O.19 ARKANSAS ST.  
O.26 MID. TN. ST.\*  
N. 2 TENN-MARTIN\*  
N.16 MURRAY ST.  
N.23 S. ILLINOIS  
N.23 TENNESSEE ST.

### TENNESSEE STATE NASHVILLE, TENN. (2-9)

A.31 FLORIDA A&M@  
S. 7 MID-TN. ST.\*  
S.14 JACKSON ST.\*  
S.28 SOUTHERN#  
O.19 TENN-MARTIN\*  
O.26 AUSTIN PEAY\*  
N. 2 E. KENTUCKY  
N. 9 TENNESSEE TECH  
N.16 MURRAY ST.  
N.23 SE MISSOURI\*  
@VANDERBILT STADIUM  
+MEMPHIS, TN.  
#BATON ROUGE, LA.

### TENNESSEE TECH COOKEVILLE, TENN. (3-8)

S. 7 APPALACHIAN ST.  
S.21 SAMFORD\*  
S.28 E. KENTUCKY  
O. 5 TENN-MARTIN\*  
O.12 SE MISSOURI\*  
O.19 AUSTIN PEAY  
O.26 E. ILLINOIS\*  
N. 2 MURRAY STATE  
N. 9 TENNESSEE ST.\*  
N.16 ILLINOIS STATE  
N.23 MID. TN. ST.

### TENN-MARTIN MARTIN, TENN. (5-6)

S. 7 S. ILLINOIS  
S.21 SW MISSOURI\*  
S.28 E. ILLINOIS\*  
O. 5 TENN. TECH  
O.12 MURRAY STATE\*  
O.19 TENNESSEE ST.  
O.26 E. KENTUCKY\*  
N. 2 SE MISSOURI  
N. 9 MID. TN. ST.\*  
N.16 SAMFORD  
N.23 AUSTIN PEAY

## PATRIOT

### BUCKNELL LEWISBURG, PA. (7-4)

S.14 TOWSON ST.\*  
S.21 WM. & MARY\*  
S.28 HARVARD\*  
O. 5 PENNSYLVANIA\*  
O.12 YALE  
O.19 PRINCETON\*  
O.26 HOLY CROSS  
N. 2 LEHIGH  
N. 9 LAFAYETTE  
N.16 FORDHAM\*  
N.23 COLGATE\*

### COLGATE HAMILTON, N.Y. (0-11)

S. 7 RICHMOND  
S.14 BUFFALO\*  
S.21 HOLY CROSS\*  
S.28 PENNSYLVANIA  
O. 5 BROWN\*  
O.12 TOWSON ST.  
O.19 CORNELL  
O.26 LAFAYETTE\*  
N. 9 FORDHAM  
N.16 LEHIGH  
N.23 BUCKNELL

### FORDHAM BRONX, N.Y. (4-6-1)

S. 7 MAINE\*  
S.14 LEHIGH  
S.21 VILLANOVA  
S.28 COLUMBIA\*  
O. 5 DARTMOUTH  
O.12 LAFAYETTE\*  
O.19 BROWN  
O.26 GEORGETOWN\*  
N. 2 HOLY CROSS\*  
N. 9 COLGATE\*  
N.16 BUCKNELL

### HOLY CROSS WORCHESTER, MASS. (2-9)

S.14 MASSACHUSETTS\*  
S.21 COLGATE  
S.28 PRINCETON  
O. 5 COLUMBIA\*  
O.12 DARTMOUTH\*  
O.19 HARVARD\*  
O.26 BUCKNELL\*  
N. 2 FORDHAM  
N. 9 LEHIGH\*  
N.16 LAFAYETTE  
N.23 GEORGETOWN

### LAFAYETTE EASTON, PA. (4-6-1)

S.14 MILLERSVILLE\*  
S.21 NORTHEASTERN\*  
S.28 CORNELL\*  
O. 5 HARVARD  
O.12 FORDHAM  
O.19 COLUMBIA  
O.26 COLGATE  
N. 2 ARMY  
N. 9 BUCKNELL\*  
N.16 HOLY CROSS\*  
N.23 LEHIGH\*

### LEHIGH BETHLEHEM, PA. (8-3)

S. 7 DELAWARE  
S.14 FORDHAM\*  
S.21 BUFFALO\*  
S.28 DARTMOUTH\*  
O. 5 PRINCETON  
O.12 NEW HAMPSHIRE  
O.19 PENNSYLVANIA  
N. 2 BUCKNELL\*  
N. 9 HOLY CROSS  
N.16 COLGATE\*  
N.23 LAFAYETTE

## PIONEER

### BUTLER INDIANAPOLIS, IND. (2-8)

S. 9 TOWSON STATE\*  
S.14 ROBERT MORRIS  
S.21 MILLIKIN\*  
O. 5 DRAKE  
O.12 VALPARAISO  
O.19 DAYTON\*  
O.26 SAN DIEGO\*  
N. 2 EVANSVILLE\*  
N. 9 ST. JOSEPH'S

### DAYTON DAYTON, OH (9-2)

S. 7 MOREHEAD ST.\*  
S.14 GEORGETOWN\*  
S.21 WIS. PLATT\*  
S.28 TOWSON STATE  
O. 5 EVANSVILLE  
O.12 ROBERT MORRIS\*  
O.19 BUTLER  
O.26 DRAKE\*  
N. 2 VALPARAISO  
N. 9 WOFFORD\*  
N.16 SAN DIEGO

### DRAKE DES MOINES, IA (8-1-1)

S. 7 MORNINGSIDES\*  
S.14 ST. NORBERT  
S.21 SAN DIEGO\*  
S.28 ST. MARY'S  
O. 5 BUTLER\*  
O.12 EVANSVILLE  
O.19 VALPARAISO\*  
O.26 DAYTON  
N. 2 AURORA  
N. 9 WAYNE ST.\*  
N.16 NORTHWESTERN (IA)

### EVANSVILLE EVANSVILLE, IND. (5-5)

S.14 CUMBERLAND  
S.21 QUINCY  
S.20 MCKENDREE\*  
O. 5 DAYTON\*  
O.12 DRAKE\*  
O.19 SAN DIEGO  
O.26 VALPARAISO\*  
N. 2 BUTLER  
N. 9 KENTUCKY WES.  
N.16 MOREHEAD ST.\*

### SAN DIEGO SAN DIEGO, CALIF. (5-5)

S. 7 CHICO STATE  
S.14 CAL. LUTHERAN\*  
S.21 DRAKE  
S.28 VALPARAISO\*  
O. 5 ST. MARY'S  
O.19 EVANSVILLE\*  
O.26 BUTLER  
N. 2 WHITTIER\*  
N. 9 AZUSA PACIFIC  
N.16 DAYTON\*

### VALPARAISO VALPARAISO, IND. (5-5)

S. 7 HOPE  
S.14 ALMA\*  
S.21 MOREHEAD ST.\*  
S.28 SAN DIEGO  
O.12 BUTLER\*  
O.19 DRAKE  
O.26 EVANSVILLE  
N. 2 DAYTON\*  
N. 9 AURORA\*  
N.16 KENTUCKY WES.

## SOUTHERN

### APPALACHIAN ST. BOONE, N.C. (12-1)

A.31 WAKE FOREST  
S. 7 TENNESSEE TECH\*  
S.21 E. KENTUCKY  
S.28 THE CITADEL\*  
O. 5 E. TENN. ST.  
O.12 FURMAN\*  
O.19 GA. SOUTHERN  
O.26 MARSHALL\*  
N. 2 TENN-CHATT.  
N.16 W. CAROLINA  
N.23 VMI\*

### THE CITADEL CHARLESTON, S.C. (2-9)

S. 7 MIAMI (FL)  
S.14 RICHMOND\*  
S.21 W. CAROLINA\*  
S.28 APPALACHIAN ST.  
O.12 E. TENN. ST.\*  
O.19 FURMAN  
O.26 GA. SOUTHERN\*  
N. 2 MARSHALL  
N. 9 TENN-CHATT.\*  
N.16 VMI  
N.23 WOFFORD\*

### E. TENNESSEE ST. JOHNSON CITY, TENN. (4-7)

A.31 LIBERTY\*  
S. 7 EAST CAROLINA  
S.14 W. VIRGINIA ST.\*  
S.21 VMI\*  
S.28 W. CAROLINA  
O. 5 APPALACHIAN ST.\*  
O.12 THE CITADEL  
O.26 FURMAN\*  
N. 2 GA. SOUTHERN  
N. 9 MARSHALL\*  
N.16 TENN-CHATT.

### FURMAN GREENVILLE, S.C. (6-5)

S. 7 CLEMSON  
S.14 S.C. STATE\*  
S.21 WOFFORD\*  
S.28 VMI  
O. 5 W. CAROLINA\*  
O.12 APPALACHIAN ST.  
O.19 THE CITADEL\*  
O.26 E. TENN. ST.  
N. 2 GA. SOUTHERN\*  
N.16 MARSHALL  
N.23 TENN-CHATT.\*

### GEORGIA SOUTHERN STATESBORO, GA. (9-4)

A.31 S. CAROLINA ST.  
S. 7 FLORIDA  
S.21 MARSHALL\*  
S.28 TENN-CHATT.  
O. 5 VMI\*  
O.12 W. CAROLINA  
O.19 APPALACHIAN ST.\*  
O.26 THE CITADEL  
N. 2 E. TENN. ST.\*  
N. 9 FURMAN  
N.16 LIBERTY\*

### MARSHALL HUNTINGTON, W.VA. (12-3)

S. 7 HOWARD\*  
S.14 WEST VIRGINIA ST.\*  
S.21 GA. SOUTHERN  
S.28 W. KENTUCKY\*  
O. 5 TENN-CHATT.\*  
O.12 VMI  
O.26 W. CAROLINA  
O.26 APPALACHIAN ST.  
N. 2 THE CITADEL  
N. 9 E. TENN. ST.  
N.16 FURMAN\*

### TENN-CHATT. CHATTANOOGA, TENN. (4-7)

A.31 COLORADO ST.  
S.14 MID. TN. ST.  
S.21 MISS. VALLEY\*  
S.28 GA. SOUTHERN\*  
O. 5 MARSHALL  
O.19 VMI\*  
O.26 W. CAROLINA  
N. 2 APPALACHIAN ST.\*  
N. 9 THE CITADEL  
N.16 E. TENN. ST.\*  
N.23 FURMAN

### VMI LEXINGTON, VA (4-7)

S. 7 OLE MISS@  
S.14 WM. & MARY  
S.21 E. TENN. ST.  
S.28 TENN-CHATT.  
O. 5 GA. SOUTHERN  
O.12 MARSHALL\*  
O.19 TENN-CHATT.  
N. 2 W. CAROLINA\*  
N. 9 RICHMOND\*  
N.16 THE CITADEL\*  
N.23 APPALACHIAN ST.  
@JACKSON, MS

### WESTERN CAROLINA CULLOWHEE, N.C. (3-7)

S. 7 LIBERTY  
S.21 THE CITADEL  
S.28 E. TENN. ST.\*  
O. 5 FURMAN  
O.12 GA. SOUTHERN\*  
O.19 MARSHALL  
O.26 TENN-CHATT.\*  
N. 2 VMI  
N. 9 ELON\*  
N.16 APPALACHIAN ST.\*



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## SOUTHLAND

### MCNEESE STATE LAKE CHARLES, LA. (13-1)

S. 7 S.W. MISSOURI\*  
S. 14 J. MADISON\*  
S. 21 ANGELO ST.\*  
S. 28 N. IOWA  
O. 5 ARK.-MONT.\*  
0.12 TROY ST.  
0.26 SAM HOUSTON ST.  
N. 2 S.F. AUSTIN\*  
N. 9 S.W. TEXAS ST.\*  
N. 16 N.W. STATE  
N. 23 NICHOLLS ST.\*

### STEPHEN F. AUSTIN NACOGDOCHES, TEXAS (11-2)

S. 7 DELTA ST.\*  
S. 14 N. IOWA  
S. 28 TROY ST.\*  
0.12 SAM HOUSTON ST.\*  
0.19 NICHOLLS ST.  
0.26 SAMFORD\*  
N. 2 MCNEESE ST.\*  
N. 9 JACKSONVILLE ST.\*  
N. 16 S.W. TEXAS ST.\*  
N. 23 N.W. STATE\*

### NICHOLLS STATE THIBODAUX, LA. (0-11)

A. 29 NE LOUISIANA  
S. 14 JACKSONVILLE ST.\*  
S. 21 TROY ST.\*  
O. 5 SAMFORD  
0.12 N.W. STATE\*  
0.19 S.F. AUSTIN\*  
0.26 S.W. TEXAS ST.  
N. 2 SOUTHERN\*  
N. 9 SAM HOUSTON ST.\*  
N. 16 HARDING\*  
N. 23 MCNEESE ST.

### SW TEXAS STATE SAN MARCOS, TEXAS (4-7)

A. 31 GRAND VALLEY\*  
S. 14 HOFSTRA\*  
S. 21 E. WASHINGTON  
S. 28 IDAHO\*  
0.12 SOUTHERN UTAH  
0.19 TROY STATE  
0.26 NICHOLLS ST.\*  
N. 2 N.W. STATE  
N. 9 MCNEESE ST.  
N. 16 S.F. AUSTIN\*  
N. 23 SAM HOUSTON ST.

### NORTHWESTERN ST. NATCHITOCHES, LA. (6-5)

S. 7 SOUTHERN\*  
S. 21 EAST TEXAS ST.\*  
S. 28 BOISE STATE  
O. 5 NE LOUISIANA  
0.12 NICHOLLS ST.\*  
0.19 SAM HOUSTON ST.\*  
0.26 YOUNGSTOWN ST.  
N. 2 SW TEXAS ST.  
N. 9 TROY ST.\*  
N. 16 MCNEESE ST.\*  
N. 23 S.F. AUSTIN\*

### SAM HOUSTON ST. HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS (5-5)

A. 31 HOUSTON  
S. 14 TEX. A&M-KING  
S. 21 NE LOUISIANA  
S. 28 TEX. SOUTHERN\*  
0.12 S.F. AUSTIN  
0.19 N.W. ST.  
0.26 MCNEESE ST.\*  
N. 9 NICHOLLS ST.  
N. 16 TROY ST.\*  
N. 23 S.W. TEXAS ST.\*

## SWAC

### ALABAMA STATE MONTGOMERY, ALA. (8-3)

S. 1 JACKSON ST.\*  
S. 7 TEXAS SOUTHERN\*  
S. 14 SOUTHERN  
S. 21 ALCORN ST.  
O. 5 TROY STATE  
0.19 PRAIRIE VIEW  
0.26 ALABAMA A&M\*  
N. 9 GRAMBLING  
N. 16 MISS. VAL. ST.\*  
N. 28 TEXKEGEE\*

### MISSISSIPPI VALLEY ITTA BEVA, MISS. (11-2)

A. 31 MORRIS BROWN  
S. 7 ARK.-PB\*  
S. 21 TENN.-CHATT.  
S. 28 JACKSON ST.  
O. 5 SOUTHERN  
0.12 GRAMBLING\*  
0.19 LANE\*  
0.26 TEXAS SOUTHERN  
N. 2 PRAIRIE VIEW\*  
N. 9 ALCORN ST.\*  
N. 16 ALABAMA ST.

### ALCORN STATE LORMAN, MISS. (4-7)

A. 31 TROY STATE\*  
S. 7 GRAMBLING  
S. 21 ALABAMA ST.\*  
S. 28 SAMFORD  
O. 5 ARK.-PB\*  
0.12 PRAIRIE VIEW  
0.19 TEXAS SOUTHERN\*  
0.26 SOUTHERN\*  
N. 9 MISS. VAL. ST.  
N. 23 JACKSON ST.

### PRAIRIE VIEW A&M PRAIRIE VIEW, TEXAS (11-1)

A. 31 TEXAS SOUTHERN  
S. 7 ABILENE CHRISTIAN\*  
S. 14 HARDIN-SIMMONS  
S. 21 SOUTHERN\*  
S. 28 GRAMBLING\*  
O. 5 LANGSTON  
0.12 ALCORN STATE\*  
0.19 ALABAMA STATE\*  
N. 2 MISS. VALLEY  
N. 9 MIDWESTERN STATE  
N. 16 JACKSON ST.  
@HOUSTON, TX  
+DALLAS, TX

### GRAMBLING GRAMBLING, LA. (5-6)

S. 7 ALCORN ST.\*  
S. 14 CENTRAL ST.\*  
S. 28 PRAIRIE VIEW\*  
0.12 MISS. VAL. ST.  
0.19 ARK.-PB  
0.26 JACKSON ST.\*  
N. 2 TEXAS SOUTHERN  
N. 9 ALABAMA ST.\*  
N. 16 N. CAROLINA A&T\*  
N. 23 SOUTHERN\*  
@DALLAS, TX  
+NEW ORLEANS, LA

### SOUTHERN BATON ROUGE, LA. (11-1)

S. 7 NORTHWESTERN ST.  
S. 14 ALABAMA ST.\*  
S. 21 PRAIRIE VIEW\*  
S. 28 TENNESSEE ST.\*  
O. 5 MISS. VALLEY\*  
0.19 JACKSON ST.\*  
0.26 ALCORN ST.  
N. 2 NICHOLLS ST.  
N. 9 FLORIDA A&M\*  
N. 16 TEXAS SOUTHERN\*  
N. 20 GRAMBLING\*  
@HOUSTON, TX  
+NEW ORLEANS, LA

### JACKSON STATE JACKSON, MISS. (9-3)

S. 1 ALABAMA ST.  
S. 14 TENNESSEE ST.\*  
S. 21 FLORIDA A&M\*  
S. 28 MISS. VALLEY\*  
O. 5 TEXAS SOUTHERN\*  
0.19 SOUTHERN  
0.26 GRAMBLING  
N. 2 ARKPB  
N. 16 PRAIRIE VIEW\*  
N. 23 ALCORN ST.\*  
@MEMPHIS, TN

### TEXAS SOUTHERN HOUSTON, TEXAS (2-8)

A. 31 PRAIRIE VIEW\*  
S. 7 ALABAMA ST.  
S. 21 LANE\*  
S. 28 SAM HOUSTON ST.  
O. 5 JACKSON ST.  
0.12 ARKPB\*  
0.19 ALCORN ST.  
0.26 MISS. VALLEY\*  
N. 2 GRAMBLING\*  
N. 9 MORGAN ST.\*  
N. 16 SOUTHERN  
@HOUSTON, TX

## YANKEE

### BOSTON BOSTON, MASS. (3-8)

S. 7 ST. MARY'S (CA)  
S. 14 MAINE  
S. 21 JAMES MADISON\*  
S. 28 RICHMOND\*  
O. 5 DELAWARE  
0.12 MASSACHUSETTS  
0.19 HOFSTRA\*  
0.26 RHODE ISLAND  
N. 2 CONNECTICUT\*  
N. 9 NORTHEASTERN  
N. 16 NEW HAMPSHIRE\*

### CONNECTICUT STORRS, CONN. (6-3)

S. 7 BUFFALO  
S. 14 NORTHEASTERN  
S. 21 NEW HAMPSHIRE  
S. 28 YALE  
O. 5 VILLANOVA\*  
0.12 MAINE\*  
0.19 RHODE ISLAND\*  
0.26 HOFSTRA\*  
N. 2 BOSTON  
N. 9 JAMES MADISON\*  
N. 16 MASSACHUSETTS

### DELAWARE NEWARK, DEL. (8-4)

S. 7 LEHIGH\*  
S. 14 VILLANOVA  
S. 21 WEST CHESTER\*  
S. 28 MAINE  
O. 5 BOSTON\*  
0.12 RICHMOND  
0.19 NORTHEASTERN\*  
0.26 JAMES MADISON\*  
N. 2 WM. & MARY  
N. 9 NAVY  
N. 16 RHODE ISLAND\*

### JAMES MADISON HARRISONBURG, VA. (8-4)

S. 7 SHIPPENSBURG\*  
S. 14 MCNEESE ST.  
S. 21 BOSTON  
S. 28 NEW HAMPSHIRE\*  
O. 5 MAINE\*  
0.12 WM. AND MARY\*  
0.19 RICHMOND  
0.26 DELAWARE  
N. 2 NORTHEASTERN\*  
N. 9 CONNECTICUT  
N. 16 VILLANOVA\*

### MAINE AMHERST, MAINE (3-8)

A. 31 NORTHEASTERN  
S. 7 FORDHAM  
S. 14 BOSTON\*  
S. 21 RHODE ISLAND\*  
S. 28 DELAWARE\*  
O. 5 JAMES MADISON\*  
0.12 CONNECTICUT  
0.19 NEW HAMPSHIRE\*  
N. 2 MASSACHUSETTS  
N. 9 HOFSTRA  
N. 16 BUFFALO\*

### MASSACHUSETTS AMHERST, MASS. (6-5)

S. 7 VILLANOVA  
S. 14 HOLY CROSS  
S. 21 RICHMOND  
S. 28 NORTHEASTERN\*  
O. 5 RHODE ISLAND\*  
0.12 BOSTON\*  
0.19 BUFFALO\*  
0.26 NEW HAMPSHIRE  
N. 2 MAINE\*  
N. 9 WM. & MARY  
N. 16 CONNECTICUT\*

### NEW HAMPSHIRE DURHAM, N.H. (6-5)

S. 14 RHODE ISLAND  
S. 21 CONNECTICUT\*  
S. 28 JAMES MADISON  
O. 5 WM. & MARY  
0.12 LEHIGH\*  
0.19 MAINE  
0.26 MASSACHUSETTS\*  
N. 2 RICHMOND\*  
N. 9 VILLANOVA\*  
N. 16 BOSTON  
N. 23 NORTHEASTERN

### NORTHEASTERN BOSTON, MASS. (4-7)

A. 31 MAINE\*  
S. 14 CONNECTICUT\*  
S. 21 LAFAYETTE  
S. 28 MASSACHUSETTS\*  
O. 5 RICHMOND\*  
0.12 VILLANOVA\*  
0.19 DELAWARE  
0.26 WM. & MARY  
N. 2 JAMES MADISON  
N. 9 BOSTON\*  
N. 23 NEW HAMPSHIRE\*

### RHODE ISLAND KINGSTON, R.I. (7-4)

S. 7 WM. & MARY\*  
S. 14 NEW HAMPSHIRE\*  
S. 21 MAINE  
S. 28 BROWN\*  
O. 5 MASSACHUSETTS\*  
0.12 CONNECTICUT  
0.26 BOSTON\*  
N. 2 VILLANOVA  
N. 16 DELAWARE  
N. 23 HOFSTRA

### RICHMOND VILLANOVA, VA. (7-3-1)

S. 7 COLGATE\*  
S. 14 THE CITADEL  
S. 21 MASSACHUSETTS\*  
S. 28 BOSTON  
O. 5 NORTHEASTERN  
0.12 DELAWARE\*  
0.19 JAMES MADISON\*  
0.26 VILLANOVA\*  
N. 2 NEW HAMPSHIRE  
N. 9 VMI  
N. 16 WM. & MARY\*

### VILLANOVA VILLANOVA, PA. (3-8)

A. 31 RUTGERS  
S. 7 MASSACHUSETTS\*  
S. 14 DELAWARE\*  
S. 21 FORDHAM\*  
O. 5 CONNECTICUT  
0.12 NORTHEASTERN  
0.19 WM. & MARY\*  
0.26 RICHMOND  
N. 2 RHODE ISLAND\*  
N. 9 NEW HAMPSHIRE  
N. 16 JAMES MADISON

### WILLIAM & MARY WILLIAMSBURG, VA. (7-4)

A. 31 C. FLORIDA  
S. 7 RHODE ISLAND  
S. 14 VMI\*  
S. 21 BUCKNELL  
S. 28 RHODE ISLAND  
O. 5 NEW HAMPSHIRE\*  
0.12 JAMES MADISON  
0.19 VILLANOVA  
0.26 NORTHEASTERN\*  
N. 2 DELAWARE\*  
N. 9 MASSACHUSETTS\*

## I-AA INDEPENDENTS

### BUFFALO BUFFALO, NEW YORK (3-8)

A. 29 ILLINOIS ST.\*  
S. 7 CONNECTICUT\*  
S. 14 COLGATE  
S. 21 LEHIGH  
S. 28 EDINBORO\*  
O. 5 CORNELL\*  
0.12 YOUNGSTOWN ST.\*  
0.19 MASSACHUSETTS  
N. 2 HOFSTRA  
N. 9 NEW HAVEN\*  
N. 16 MAINE

### MOREHEAD STATE Morehead, KY. (2-8)

S. 7 DAYTON  
S. 21 VALPARAISO  
O. 5 CHARLESTON SOU.  
0.12 WOFFORD  
N. 9 W. KENTUCKY\*  
N. 16 EVANSVILLE  
(Schedule incomplete at press time.)

### CAL POLY SAN LUIS OBISPO, CALIF. (5-5)

S. 7 IDAHO ST.  
S. 14 MONTANA  
S. 21 WEBER ST.\*  
O. 5 IDAHO  
0.12 SAINT MARY'S\*  
0.19 S. UTAH\*  
0.26 W. ILLINOIS  
N. 2 CAL-DAVIS\*  
N. 9 MONTANA ST.  
N. 23 CAL ST.-SAC.

### ROBERT MORRIS CORAPOLIS, PA. (6-4)

S. 7 MERCYHURST  
S. 14 BUTLER\*  
S. 21 TOWSON STATE\*  
S. 28 CORNELL ST.  
O. 5 GANNON\*  
0.12 DAYTON  
0.26 MONMOUTH\*  
N. 2 WAGNER  
N. 9 ST. FRANCIS  
N. 16 C.W. POST\*

### CENTRAL CONN. ST. NEW BRITAIN, CT. (2-6)

S. 7 ALBANY  
S. 14 FAIRFIELD  
S. 21 FROSTBURG ST.  
S. 28 ROBERT MORRIS\*  
O. 5 TOWSON ST.  
0.12 STONY BROOK\*  
0.26 WAGNER\*  
N. 2 ST. FRANCIS (PA)\*  
N. 9 S. CONN. ST.  
N. 16 MONMOUTH\*

### SAMFORD BIRMINGHAM, ALA. (7-4)

S. 7 KNOXVILLE\*  
S. 14 AUSTIN PEAY\*  
S. 21 TENNESSEE TECH  
S. 28 ALCORN STATE\*  
O. 5 NICHOLLS STATE\*  
0.12 C. FLORIDA  
0.19 JACKSONVILLE ST.  
0.26 S. F. AUSTIN  
N. 2 WOFFORD\*  
N. 16 TENN.-MARTIN\*  
N. 23 TROY STATE

### CHARLESTON SOUTHERN CHARLESTON, S.C. (1-10)

S. 7 S.C. STATE\*  
S. 14 PRESBYTERIAN  
S. 21 WEST VA. ST.\*  
S. 28 HOFSTRA\*  
O. 5 MOREHEAD ST.\*  
0.12 NEWBERRY\*  
0.26 LIBERTY  
N. 2 NEW HAVEN\*  
N. 9 TUSCULUM\*  
N. 16 WOFFORD  
N. 21 UAB

### SOUTHERN UTAH CEDAR CITY, UT. (2-9)

A. 31 N. IOWA\*  
S. 7 WEBER ST.  
S. 14 N. ARIZONA  
S. 21 WESTERN ST.  
S. 28 MONTANA TECH\*  
O. 5 MONTANA  
0.12 SW TEXAS\*  
0.19 CAL POLY-SLO  
0.26 NEW MEXICO ST.  
N. 2 SAINT MARY'S\*  
N. 16 CAL-OWIS

### DAVIDSON DAVIDSON, N.C. (1-8-1)

S. 14 MARYVILLE  
S. 21 SEAWANEE  
S. 28 EMORY & HENRY\*  
O. 5 GUILFORD\*  
0.12 WASH. & LEE\*  
0.19 METHUEN\*  
0.26 RAIDCLOUGH-MACON\*  
N. 2 HAMPDEN-SYDNEY  
N. 9 CENTRE\*  
N. 16 BRIDGEWATER

### ST. FRANCIS LORETTO, PA. (0-10)

S. 7 WAYNESBORO\*  
S. 14 MONMOUTH  
S. 21 GANNON  
S. 28 DRAHE\*  
0.12 DIUQUESE\*  
0.19 MERCYHURST\*  
0.26 TOWSON STATE  
N. 2 C. CONN. ST.  
N. 9 ROBERT MORRIS\*  
N. 16 BETHANY\*

### HOFSTRA HEMPSTEAD, N.Y. (10-2)

S. 7 SACRAMENTO ST.\*  
S. 14 SW TEXAS ST.\*  
S. 21 W. ILLINOIS\*  
S. 28 CHARLESTON SOU.  
O. 5 LIBERTY  
0.19 BOSTON  
0.26 CONNECTICUT  
N. 2 BUFFALO\*  
N. 9 MAINE\*  
N. 16 YOUNGSTOWN ST.\*  
N. 23 RHODE ISLAND\*

### ST. MARY'S MORAGA, CALIF. (8-2)

S. 7 BOSTON\*  
S. 14 BUTLER  
S. 21 BUCKNELL  
S. 28 ROBERT MORRIS  
S. 28 DAYTON\*  
O. 5 SAN DIEGO\*  
0.12 CAL POLY-SLO  
0.26 CAL-DAVIS  
N. 2 SOUTHERN UTAH  
N. 9 CHAPMAN\*  
N. 16 HUMBOLDT ST.\*

### LIBERTY LYNCHBURG, VA. (8-3)

A. 31 E. TENNESSEE ST.  
S. 7 W. CAROLINA\*  
S. 14 DELAWARE ST.\*  
S. 21 MORGAN ST.  
S. 28 INDIANA ST.\*  
O. 5 HOFSTRA\*  
0.19 W. KENTUCKY  
0.26 CHARLESTON SOU.\*  
N. 2 HAMPTON  
N. 16 GA SOUTHERN

### TOWSON STATE TOWSON, MD. (6-4)

S. 7 BUTLER  
S. 14 BUCKNELL  
S. 21 ROBERT MORRIS  
S. 28 DAYTON\*  
O. 5 C. CONN. ST.\*  
0.12 COLGATE\*  
0.19 MONMOUTH  
N. 2 MARIST  
N. 16 WAGNER\*  
N. 23 SAMFORD\*

### MONMOUTH W. LONG BRANCH, N.J. (7-3)

S. 7 S. CONNECTICUT\*  
S. 7 W. FRANCIS\*  
S. 14 DELAWARE ST.\*  
S. 21 PACE\*  
S. 28 C.W. POST  
O. 5 MERCYHURST  
0.12 WAGNER  
0.19 TOWSON STATE\*  
0.26 ROBERT MORRIS  
N. 9 SIEVA  
N. 16 C. CONNECTICUT

### TROY STATE TROY, AL. (11-1)

A. 31 ALCORN ST.  
S. 7 E. KENTUCKY  
S. 21 NICHOLLS STATE\*  
S. 28 S.F. AUSTIN STATE  
O. 5 ALABAMA STATE\*  
0.12 MCNEESE STATE\*  
0.19 SW TEXAS ST.\*  
0.26 JACKSONVILLE ST.  
N. 9 NORTHWESTERN ST.  
N. 16 SAM HOUSTON ST.  
N. 23 SAMFORD\*

### WAGNER STATEN ISLAND, N.Y. (8-2)

S. 14 IONA  
S. 21 C.W. POST\*  
S. 28 MARIST\*  
O. 5 ST. FRANCIS (PA)  
0.12 MONMOUTH\*  
0.19 ST. PETER'S\*  
0.26 C. CONNECTICUT  
N. 2 ROBERT MORRIS\*  
N. 9 STONY BROOK  
N. 16 TOWSON ST.

### WESTERN KENTUCKY BOWLING GREEN, KY. (2-8)

A. 31 KY. WESLEYAN\*  
S. 7 MURRAY ST.  
S. 14 E. KENTUCKY\*  
S. 21 AUSTIN PEAY  
S. 28 MARSHALL  
O. 5 UAB  
0.12 JACKSONVILLE ST.  
0.19 LIBERTY\*  
0.26 INDIANA ST.\*  
N. 2 S. ILLINOIS\*  
N. 9 MOREHEAD ST.

### WOFFORD COLLEGE SPARTANBURG, S.C. (4-7)

S. 7 LENOIR-RHYNE\*  
S. 14 W. CAROLINA  
S. 21 FURMAN  
O. 5 PRESBYTERIAN\*  
0.12 MOREHEAD ST.\*  
0.19 NEWBERRY  
N. 2 SAMFORD  
N. 9 DAYTON  
N. 16 CHARLESTON SO.\*  
N. 23 THE CITADEL

### YOUNGSTOWN STATE YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO (3-8)

S. 5 SLIPPERY ROCK\*  
S. 14 KENT  
S. 21 ILLINOIS ST.  
S. 28 CLARION  
0.12 BUFFALO  
0.19 ASHLAND\*  
0.26 NORTHWESTERN ST.\*  
N. 2 N. IOWA\*  
N. 9 SW MISSOURI  
N. 16 HOFSTRA





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# 1995 review

## MAJOR COLLEGE COACHING CHANGES

School	Head Coach	Former Head Coach
California	Steve Mariucci (Green Bay Packers Quarterbacks Coach)	Keith Gilbertson
Georgia	Jim Donnan (Marshall Head Coach)	Ray Goff
Hawaii	Fred vonAppen (Colorado Defensive Line Coach)	Bob Wagner
Louisiana Tech	Gary Crowton (Louisiana Tech Offensive Coordinator)	Joe Raymond Peace
Northern Illinois	Joe Novak (Indiana Defensive Coordinator)	Charlie Saddler
Oklahoma	John Blake (Dallas Cowboys Defensive Line Coach)	Howard Schnellenberger
Rutgers	Terry Shea (British Columbia Lions Quarterbacks Coach)	Doug Graber
UCLA	Bob Toledo (UCLA Offensive Coordinator)	Terry Donahue

## DIVISION I-A MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

Pacific, formerly a Big West member, dropped program.  
 UAB moved from I-AA to I-A as an Independent.  
 Central Florida moved from I-AA to I-A as an Independent.  
 Idaho moved from I-AA to I-A as a member of the Big West.  
 Boise State moved from I-AA to I-A as a member of the Big West.

## DIVISION I-A 1995 SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

Player		Total
Player, Team		
<b>Passing and Rushing</b>		
Rushing plays:	Robert Holcomb, Illinois	49
Rushing yards:	Eddie George, Ohio State	314
Passes attempted:	Rusty LaRue, Wake Forest	78
Passes completed:	Rusty LaRue, Wake Forest	55
Passing yards:	Mike Maxwell, Nevada	552
<b>Receiving and Returns</b>		
Passes caught:	Alex Van Dyke, Nevada	18
Receiving yards:	Alex Van Dyke, Nevada	314
Punt return yards:	Chris McCranie, Georgia	225
Kickoff return yards:	Eddie Kennison, LSU	190
Team		Total
Points scored:	Florida State, Nebraska, South Carolina, Virginia Tech	77
Rushing yards:	Nebraska	624
Passing yards:	Nevada	552
Total yards:	Florida State	797
Fewest rushing yards:	North Texas	-44
Fewest total yards:	Akron	39

## BOWLS 1995-96 SCORES

<b>FIESTA BOWL</b>	Nebraska 62, Florida 24
<b>ORANGE BOWL</b>	Florida State 31, Notre Dame 26
<b>SUGAR BOWL</b>	Virginia Tech 28, Texas 10
<b>ROSE BOWL</b>	USC 41, Northwestern 32
<b>COTTON BOWL</b>	Colorado 38, Oregon 6
<b>GATOR BOWL</b>	Syracuse 41, Clemson 0
<b>FLORIDA CITRUS BOWL</b>	Tennessee 20, Ohio State 14
<b>OUTBACK BOWL</b>	Penn State 43, Auburn 14
<b>PEACH BOWL</b>	Virginia 34, Georgia 27
<b>CARQUEST BOWL</b>	North Carolina 20, Arkansas 10
<b>LIBERTY BOWL</b>	East Carolina 19, Stanford 13
<b>HOLIDAY BOWL</b>	Kansas State 54, Colorado State 21
<b>INDEPENDENCE BOWL</b>	LSU 45, Michigan State 26
<b>SUN BOWL</b>	Iowa 38, Washington 18
<b>ALAMO BOWL</b>	Texas A&M 22, Michigan 20
<b>COPPER BOWL</b>	Texas Tech 55, Air Force 41
<b>ALOHA BOWL</b>	Kansas 51, UCLA 30
<b>LAS VEGAS BOWL</b>	Toledo 40, Nevada 37 (OT)

## BOWL GAME HIGHS

Individual	
<b>Yards rushing</b>	Byron Hanspard, Texas Tech (Copper) 24-260
<b>Yards passing</b>	Hines Ward, Georgia (Peach) 31-59-2 int.-1 TD-413
<b>Most touchdowns</b>	Wasean Tait, Toledo (Las Vegas) 4
	Byron Hanspard, Texas Tech (Copper) 4
<b>TDs passing</b>	Brian Kavanaugh, Kansas State (Holiday) 18-24-1 int.-4 TD-242
	Wally Richardson, Penn State (Outback) 13-24-1 int.-4 TD-217
	Danny Kannell, Florida State (Orange) 20-32-2 int.-4 TD-290
<b>Total offense</b>	Hines Ward, Georgia (Peach) 469
<b>Most receptions</b>	Alex Van Dyke, Nevada (Las Vegas) 14-176
<b>Most field goals</b>	Kyle Bryant, Texas A&M (Alamo) 5
<b>Longest field goal</b>	Phil Dawson, Texas (Sugar) 52
<b>Longest run</b>	Derrick Mason, Michigan State (Independence) 100 (kickoff)
<b>Longest TD pass</b>	Mike Groh to Demetrius Allen, Virginia (Peach) 83
Team	
<b>Yards rushing</b>	Nebraska (Fiesta) vs. Florida 524
<b>Yards passing</b>	Georgia (Peach) vs. Virginia 413
<b>Total offense</b>	Nebraska (Fiesta) vs. Florida 629
<b>Total plays</b>	Georgia (Peach) vs. Virginia 95
<b>Rushing defense</b>	Nebraska (Fiesta) vs. Florida -28
<b>Passing defense</b>	Syracuse (Gator) vs. Clemson 69
<b>Total defense</b>	Syracuse (Gator) vs. Clemson 159
<b>Points</b>	Nebraska (Fiesta) vs. Florida 55
<b>Attendance</b>	Rose 100,102

## 1996-97 BOWL SCHEDULE

Date	Game	Kickoff (EST)	Site	Date	Game	Kickoff (EST)	Site
Dec. 19	Las Vegas	9:00	Las Vegas, NV	Dec. 31	Federal Express Orange	7:00	Miami, FL
Dec. 25	Jeep Eagle Aloha	4:30	Honolulu, HI	TBA	Carquest Auto Parts	TBA	Miami, FL
Dec. 27	Copper	8:00	Tucson, AZ	Jan. 1	Outback	11:00	Tampa, FL
Dec. 28	St. Jude Liberty	12:00	Memphis, TN	Jan. 1	Toyota Gator	12:30	Jacksonville, FL
Dec. 28	Peach	8:00	Atlanta, GA	Jan. 1	Rose	TBA	Pasadena, CA
Dec. 29	Builders Square Alamo	8:00	San Antonio, TX	Jan. 1	Compusa Florida Citrus	1:00	Orlando, FL
Dec. 30	Plymouth Holiday	TBA	San Diego, CA	Jan. 1	Cotton	TBA	Dallas, TX
Dec. 31	Poulan/Weed Eater Independence	TBA	Shreveport, LA	Jan. 1	Tostitos Fiesta	8:00	Tempe, AZ
Dec. 31	Norwest Sun	2:30	El Paso, TX	Jan. 2	Nokia Sugar	8:00	New Orleans, LA



# 1995 Conference Reviews

## ACC

### TOTAL OFFENSE

School	G	Ply	Yds	Avg.	TD	YPG
Florida State	11	885	6058	6.9	71	550.7
Virginia	12	854	4799	5.6	40	399.9
Clemson	11	805	4397	5.5	35	399.7
North Carolina	11	848	4362	5.1	33	396.6
N.C. State	11	787	4048	5.1	31	368.0

### TOTAL DEFENSE

School	G	Ply	Yds	Avg.	TD	YPG
North Carolina	11	648	2940	4.5	25	267.3
Clemson	11	741	3597	4.9	22	327.0
Georgia Tech	11	754	3695	4.9	30	335.9
Florida State	11	821	3799	4.6	25	345.4
Maryland	11	797	3855	4.8	28	350.5

### RETURNING LEADERS

#### PASSING (MIN. 20 ATT.)

Player, School	Cl.	G	Cmp.	Att.	Int.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	Rating Points
Thad Busby, Florida State	Jr.	8	38	59	1	.644	571	4	164.7
Brian Kuklick, Wake Forest	So.	2	15	28	0	.536	235	2	147.6
Nealon Greene, Clemson	So.	11	107	183	6	.585	1474	10	137.6
Joe Laureano, N.C. State	So.	6	28	50	1	.560	355	1	118.2

#### RUSHING

Player, School	Cl.	G	Car.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
Raymond Priestler, Clemson	Jr.	11	223	1286	5.8	6	116.9
Tiki Barber, Virginia	Jr.	12	265	1397	5.3	14	116.4
Warrick Dunn, Florida State	Jr.	11	166	1242	7.5	13	112.9
C.J. Williams, Georgia Tech	So.	11	245	1138	4.6	12	103.5
Leon Johnson, North Carolina	Jr.	11	225	963	4.3	12	87.6

#### RECEIVING

Player, School	Cl.	G	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
E.G. Green, Florida State	So.	11	60	1007	16.8	10	91.6
Andre Cooper, Florida State	Jr.	11	71	1002	14.1	15	91.1
Octavus Barnes, North Carolina	So.	11	53	970	18.3	5	88.2
Antwan Wyatt, Clemson	Jr.	11	42	662	15.8	5	60.2
Jimmy Grissett, N.C. State	Jr.	11	37	570	15.4	6	51.8

## BIG EIGHT

### TOTAL OFFENSE

School	G	Ply	Yds	Avg.	TD	YPG
Nebraska	11	855	6119	7.2	69	556.3
Colorado	11	809	5353	6.6	48	486.6
Kansas State	11	811	4419	5.4	49	401.7
Kansas	11	796	4325	5.4	35	393.2
Oklahoma	11	779	4092	5.3	25	372.0

### TOTAL DEFENSE

School	G	Ply	Yds	Avg.	TD	YPG
Kansas State	11	673	2759	4.1	16	250.8
Nebraska	11	726	3235	4.5	20	294.1
Oklahoma	11	735	3307	4.5	27	300.6
Colorado	11	771	3623	4.7	26	329.4
Missouri	11	722	4020	5.6	40	365.5

### RETURNING LEADERS

#### PASSING

Player, School	Cl.	G	Cmp.	Att.	Int.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	Rating Points
Brian Kavanagh, Kansas State	Jr.	10	36	58	1	.620	437	5	150.4
John Hessler, Colorado	So.	11	154	266	9	.579	2136	20	143.4
Eric Moore, Oklahoma	Fr.	11	90	200	9	.450	1375	7	105.3
Todd Bandhauer, Iowa State	Fr.	10	42	90	5	.467	501	5	100.6
Tone Jones, Oklahoma State	Jr.	12	104	218	11	.477	1185	7	93.9

#### RUSHING

Player, School	Cl.	G	Car.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
Troy Davis, Iowa State	So.	11	345	2010	5.8	15	182.7
David Thompson, Oklahoma State	Jr.	12	256	1509	5.9	8	125.8
Ahman Green, Nebraska	Fr.	11	141	1086	7.7	13	98.7
Brock Olivo, Missouri	So.	11	232	985	4.2	6	89.5
Herschell Troutman, Colorado	So.	11	171	826	4.8	5	75.1

#### RECEIVING

Player, School	Cl.	G	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
Rae Carruth, Colorado	Jr.	11	53	1008	19.0	9	91.6
Kevin Lockett, Kansas State	Jr.	11	56	797	14.2	13	72.4
Phil Savoy, Colorado	So.	10	49	582	11.8	5	58.2
Ed Williams, Iowa State	So.	11	46	639	13.9	7	58.1
Isaac Byrd, Kansas	Jr.	11	48	604	12.6	5	54.9

## BIG EAST

### TOTAL OFFENSE

School	G	Ply	Yds	Avg.	TD	YPG
Rutgers	11	900	4701	5.2	40	427.4
Virginia Tech	11	782	4233	5.4	41	384.8
Syracuse	11	706	4152	5.9	43	377.5
West Virginia	11	802	4110	5.1	32	373.6
Miami	11	715	4021	5.6	40	365.6

### TOTAL DEFENSE

School	G	Ply	Yds	Avg.	TD	YPG
Virginia Tech	11	705	3145	4.5	19	285.9
West Virginia	11	738	3294	4.5	28	299.5
Miami	11	778	3643	4.7	23	331.2
Boston College	12	847	4612	5.5	41	384.3
Syracuse	11	844	4241	5.0	27	385.6

### RETURNING LEADERS

#### PASSING

Player, School	Cl.	G	Cmp.	Att.	Int.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	Rating Points
Donovan McNabb, Syracuse	Fr.	11	128	207	6	.618	1991	16	162.3
Ryan Clement, Miami	So.	10	119	200	10	.595	1638	7	129.9
Chad Johnston, West Virginia	Jr.	11	127	248	13	.512	2019	13	126.4
Jim Druckenmiller, Virginia Tech	Jr.	11	151	294	11	.514	2103	14	119.7
Henry Burris, Temple	Jr.	11	139	300	17	.463	2004	11	103.2

#### RUSHING

Player, School	Cl.	G	Car.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
Danyell Ferguson, Miami	Jr.	11	212	1069	5.4	12	97.2
Ken Oxendine, Virginia Tech	So.	9	106	593	5.4	4	65.9
Malcom Thomas, Syracuse	So.	10	124	603	4.9	8	60.3
Demetrius Harris, Pittsburgh	Fr.	11	137	610	4.5	5	55.5
Mike Cloud, Boston College	Fr.	12	102	626	6.1	2	52.2

#### RECEIVING

Player, School	Cl.	G	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
Jammi German, Miami	Jr.	11	41	730	17.8	3	66.4
David Saunders, West Virginia	Fr.	11	38	682	18.0	5	62.0
Rahsaan Vanterpool, West Virginia	Jr.	10	34	606	17.8	3	60.6
Steve Everson, Boston College	So.	11	42	557	13.3	1	50.6
Reggie Funderburk, Rutgers	Jr.	11	54	546	10.1	1	49.6

## BIG TEN

### TOTAL OFFENSE

School	G	Ply	Yds	Avg.	TD	YPG
Ohio State	13	939	6222	6.6	64	478.6
Penn State	12	905	5110	5.7	49	425.9
Iowa	12	868	5011	5.8	47	417.6
Purdue	11	789	4442	5.6	36	403.8
Minnesota	11	784	4368	5.6	34	397.1

### TOTAL DEFENSE

School	G	Ply	Yds	Avg.	TD	YPG
Michigan	13	880	3702	4.2	24	284.8
Illinois	11	778	3476	4.5	26	316.0
Ohio State	13	856	4276	5.0	27	328.9
Northwestern	12	887	3961	4.5	22	330.1
Iowa	12	809	3986	4.8	33	333.0

### RETURNING LEADERS

#### PASSING

Player, School	Cl.	G	Cmp.	Att.	Int.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	Rating Points
Darnell Autry, Northwestern	So.	12	170	295	15	.576	2546	14	135.6
Cory Sauter, Minnesota	So.	11	204	338	13	.604	2600	18	134.9
Steve Schnur, Northwestern	Jr.	12	141	257	6	.549	1792	9	120.3
Brian Griese, Michigan	Jr.	12	127	238	10	.534	1577	13	118.6
Chris Dittoe, Indiana	Jr.	9	102	196	6	.520	1214	3	103.0

#### RUSHING

Player, School	Cl.	G	Car.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
Darnell Autry, Northwestern	So.	12	387	1785	4.6	17	148.8
Sedrick Shaw, Iowa	Jr.	12	316	1477	4.7	15	124.9
Carl McCullough, Wisconsin	So.	10	236	1038	4.4	3	103.8
Marc Renaud, Michigan State	So.	11	216	1057	4.9	3	96.1
Robert Holcombe, Illinois	So.	11	264	1051	4.0	8	95.6

#### RECEIVING

Player, School	Cl.	G	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
D'Wayne Bates, Northwestern	So.	12	49	889	18.1	5	74.1
Ryan Thelwell, Minnesota	So.	11	58	775	13.4	6	70.5
Tutu Atwell, Minnesota	So.	12	46	816	17.7	9	68.0
Derrick Mason, Michigan State	Jr.	12	53	787	14.9	4	65.6



## PAC TEN

### TOTAL OFFENSE

School	G	Ply	Yds	Avg.	TD	YPG
USC	11	808	4557	5.6	40	414.3
Oregon	11	879	4469	5.1	34	406.3
UCLA	11	789	4392	5.6	33	399.3
Stanford	11	806	4392	5.2	39	396.7
Washington	11	737	4359	5.9	37	396.3

### TOTAL DEFENSE

School	G	Ply	Yds	Avg.	TD	YPG
Arizona	11	739	2976	4.0	19	270.5
Oregon	11	735	3222	4.4	26	292.9
Oregon State	11	796	3342	4.2	28	303.8
USC	11	776	3591	4.6	20	326.5
Washington St.	11	793	3840	4.8	30	349.1

### RETURNING LEADERS

#### PASSING

Player, School	Cl.	G	Cmp.	Att.	Int.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	Rating Points
Brad Otton, USC	Jr.	11	130	212	4	.613	1532	12	136.9
Jake Plummer, Arizona State	Jr.	11	173	301	9	.575	2222	17	132.1
Pat Barnes, California	Jr.	11	197	362	11	.544	2685	17	126.1
Ryan Leaf, Washington State	Fr.	10	52	97	1	.536	654	4	121.8
Chad Davis, Washington State	Jr.	10	174	301	8	.578	1868	12	117.8

#### RUSHING

Player, School	Cl.	G	Car.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
Deion Washington, USC	So.	11	220	1058	4.8	5	96.2
Rashaan Shehee, Washington	So.	11	166	957	5.8	15	87.0
Anthony Bookman, Stanford	So.	11	181	872	4.8	3	79.3
Gary Taylor, Arizona	Jr.	11	176	715	4.1	2	65.0
Mike Mitchell, Stanford	Jr.	10	129	593	4.6	6	59.3

#### RECEIVING

Player, School	Cl.	G	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
Keith Poole, Arizona State	Jr.	11	55	1036	18.8	7	94.2
Bobby Shaw, California	So.	11	38	658	17.3	6	59.8
Dave Janoski, Washington	Jr.	11	40	657	16.4	2	59.7
Brian Manning, Stanford	Jr.	11	40	616	15.4	3	56.0
Na'il Benjamin, California	Jr.	11	52	594	11.4	5	54.0

## SOUTHWEST

### TOTAL OFFENSE

School	G	Ply	Yds	Avg.	TD	YPG
Texas	12	848	5185	6.1	49	432.1
Texas Tech	11	795	4245	5.3	42	385.9
Baylor	11	819	4216	5.2	34	383.3
Texas A&M	11	830	4143	5.0	40	376.6
Houston	11	788	3832	4.9	24	348.4

### TOTAL DEFENSE

School	G	Ply	Yds	Avg.	TD	YPG
Texas A&M	11	773	2835	3.7	17	257.7
Baylor	11	709	2903	4.1	20	263.9
Texas Tech	11	830	3635	4.4	24	330.5
Rice	11	738	3898	5.3	35	354.4
Texas	12	892	4439	5.0	25	369.9

### RETURNING LEADERS

#### PASSING

Player, School	Cl.	G	Cmp.	Att.	Int.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	Rating Points
James Brown, Texas	So.	11	163	322	14	.506	2447	19	125.2
Jeff Watson, Baylor	So.	10	108	199	5	.543	1475	5	119.8
Zebbie Lethridge, Texas Tech	So.	11	136	281	6	.484	1885	13	115.7
Chuck Clements, Houston	Jr.	11	245	437	11	.561	2641	15	113.1
Derek Canine, SMU	Fr.	7	100	179	6	.559	1019	7	109.9

#### RUSHING

Player, School	Cl.	G	Car.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
Byron Hanspard, Texas Tech	So.	11	248	1374	5.5	11	124.9
Jerod Douglas, Baylor	So.	11	211	1114	5.3	8	101.3
Shon Mitchell, Texas	Jr.	12	176	1099	6.2	10	91.6
Ricky Williams, Texas	Fr.	12	166	990	6.0	8	82.5
Donte Womack, SMU	So.	11	208	758	3.6	3	68.9

#### RECEIVING

Player, School	Cl.	G	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
Mike Adams, Texas	Jr.	12	53	876	16.5	3	73.0
John Washington, Texas Christian	Jr.	11	52	699	13.4	6	63.6
Albert Connell, Texas A&M	Jr.	11	41	653	15.9	7	59.4
Pearce Pagross, Baylor	So.	11	31	582	18.8	3	52.9
Charles West, Houston	Jr.	11	50	548	11.0	2	49.8

## SOUTHEASTERN

### TOTAL OFFENSE

School	G	Ply	Yds	Avg.	TD	YPG
Florida	12	867	6413	7.4	74	534.4
Auburn	11	788	5049	6.4	56	459.0
Tennessee	11	833	5003	6.0	52	454.8
South Carolina	11	783	4717	6.0	54	428.8
Georgia	11	733	4011	5.5	27	364.6

### TOTAL DEFENSE

School	G	Ply	Yds	Avg.	TD	YPG
Alabama	11	727	3125	4.3	22	284.1
LSU	11	789	3398	4.3	19	308.9
Florida	12	815	3787	4.7	25	315.6
Tennessee	11	767	3526	4.6	29	320.6
Arkansas	12	816	3910	4.8	34	325.8

### RETURNING LEADERS

#### PASSING

Player, School	Cl.	G	Cmp.	Att.	Int.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	Rating Points
Danny Wuerffel, Florida	Jr.	11	210	325	10	.646	3266	35	178.4
Eric Kresser, Florida	Jr.	9	65	112	2	.580	992	12	164.2
Peyton Manning, Tennessee	So.	11	244	380	4	.642	954	22	146.5
Paul Head, Mississippi	Jr.	9	70	113	2	.619	748	5	128.6
Hines Ward, Georgia	So.	10	69	112	3	.616	872	2	127.5

#### RUSHING

Player, School	Cl.	G	Car.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
Jay Graham, Tennessee	Jr.	11	272	1438	5.3	12	130.7
Madre Hill, Arkansas	So.	12	307	1387	4.5	15	115.6
Keffer McGee, Mississippi State	So.	11	235	1072	4.6	13	97.5
Dennis Riddle, Alabama	So.	11	236	969	4.1	8	88.1
Kevin Faulk, LSU	Fr.	10	174	852	4.9	6	85.2

#### RECEIVING

Player, School	Cl.	G	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
Joey Kent, Tennessee	Jr.	11	69	1055	15.3	9	95.9
Ike Hilliard, Florida	So.	11	57	1008	17.7	15	91.6
Zola Davis, South Carolina	Fr.	11	58	911	15.7	9	82.8
Eddie Kennison, LSU	Jr.	11	45	739	16.4	2	67.2
Juan Daniels, Georgia	Jr.	11	46	726	15.8	5	66.0

## WAC

### TOTAL OFFENSE

School	G	Ply	Yds	Avg.	TD	YPG
San Diego State	12	883	5785	6.6	54	482.1
Fresno State	12	899	5479	6.1	50	456.6
Wyoming	11	784	4961	6.3	40	451.0
Air Force	12	850	5180	6.1	48	431.7
Utah	11	835	4607	5.5	35	418.8

### TOTAL DEFENSE

School	G	Ply	Yds	Avg.	TD	YPG
Colorado State	11	767	3587	4.7	26	326.1
Wyoming	11	841	4069	4.8	32	369.9
Utah	11	801	4080	5.1	28	370.9
BYU	11	788	4147	5.3	34	377.0
Air Force	12	850	5154	6.1	38	429.5

### RETURNING LEADERS

#### PASSING

Player, School	Cl.	G	Cmp.	Att.	Int.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	Rating Points
Jim Arellanes, Fresno State	Jr.	8	102	172	6	.593	1539	13	152.4
Donald Sellers, New Mexico	Jr.	10	121	195	3	.621	1693	11	150.5
Steve Sarkisian, Brigham Young	Jr.	11	250	385	14	.649	3437	20	149.8
Josh Wallwork, Wyoming	Jr.	10	163	271	13	.601	2363	21	149.4
Billy Blanton, San Diego State	Jr.	12	243	389	14	.625	3300	23	146.0

#### RUSHING

Player, School	Cl.	G	Car.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
George Jones, San Diego State	Jr.	12	305	1842	6.0	23	153.5
Beau Morgan, Air Force	Jr.	12	229	1285	5.6	19	107.1
Len Sexton, Wyoming	Jr.	9	129	810	6.3	5	90.0
Chris Fuamatu Ma'afafai, Utah	Fr.	11	141	834	5.9	9	75.8
Juan Johnson, Utah	So.	11	191	743	3.9	2	67.6

#### RECEIVING

Player, School	Cl.	G	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
Marcus Harris, Wyoming	Jr.	11	78	1423	18.2	14	129.4
Will Blackwell, San Diego State	So.	11	86	1207	14.0	8	109.7
Az Hakim, San Diego State	So.	12	57	1022	17.9	8	85.2
Rocky Henry, Utah	Jr.	11	55	866	15.8	6	78.7
Kevin Dyson, Utah	So.	11	55	751	13.7	6	68.3



# 1995 DIVISION I-A LEADERS

## Team

TOTAL OFFENSE					
Team	G	Pts.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Nevada	11	917	6263	6.8	63
Nebraska	11	855	6119	7.2	69
Florida State	11	885	6067	6.9	71
Florida	12	867	6413	7.4	72
Ohio State	12	865	5887	6.8	60
Colorado	11	809	5353	6.6	48
San Diego State	12	883	5785	6.6	51
New Mexico St.	11	811	5248	6.5	46
Auburn	11	788	5049	6.4	54
Fresno State	12	899	5479	6.1	47

SCORING OFFENSE			
Team	G	Pts.	Avg.
Nebraska	11	576	52.4
Florida State	11	532	48.4
Florida	12	534	44.5
Nevada	11	484	44.0
Auburn	11	424	38.5
Ohio State	12	461	38.4
Tennessee	11	411	37.4
Colorado	11	406	36.9
Kansas State	11	402	36.5
South Carolina	11	401	36.5

RUSHING OFFENSE					
Team	G	Car.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Nebraska	11	627	4398	7.0	51
Air Force	12	672	3989	5.9	36
Army	11	699	3632	5.2	36
Clemson	11	611	2855	4.7	24
Toledo	11	564	2690	4.8	32
Notre Dame	11	562	2572	4.6	29
Navy	11	574	2570	4.5	21
Purdue	11	522	2567	4.9	25
Iowa State	11	506	2513	5.0	23
Northern Illinois	11	546	2497	4.6	18

PASSING OFFENSE									
Team	G	Cmp.	Att.	Int.	Cmp. Pct.	Yds.	TD	YPG	Rating
Nevada	11	337	509	22	66.2	4579	9.0	39	416.3
Florida	12	287	457	12	62.8	4330	9.5	48	360.8
Florida State	11	297	465	14	63.9	3616	7.8	36	328.7
New Mexico State	11	260	454	20	57.3	3540	7.8	30	321.8
BYU	11	252	388	14	64.9	3469	8.9	20	315.4
South Carolina	11	282	420	10	67.1	3373	8.0	32	306.6
Eastern Michigan	11	254	441	19	57.6	3323	7.5	23	302.1
Colorado	11	222	366	11	60.7	3269	8.9	28	297.2
Fresno State	12	247	432	17	57.2	3483	8.1	25	290.3
Wake Forest	11	289	483	18	59.8	3073	6.4	19	279.4

TOTAL DEFENSE					
Team	G	Pts.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Kansas State	11	673	2759	4.1	16
Miami (Ohio)	11	738	2764	3.7	15
Texas A&M	11	773	2835	3.7	16
Ball State	11	712	2850	4.0	22
Baylor	11	709	2903	4.1	19
North Carolina	11	729	2940	4.0	25
Arizona	11	739	2976	4.0	19
Western Mich.	11	686	3092	4.5	23
Alabama	11	727	3125	4.3	21
Virginia Tech	11	782	3145	4.0	18

SCORING DEFENSE			
Team	G	Pts.	Avg.
Northwestern	11	140	12.7
Kansas State	11	145	13.2
Texas A&M	11	148	13.5
Nebraska	11	150	13.6
Virginia Tech	11	155	14.1
LSU	11	160	14.5
Louisville	11	165	15.0
Miami (Ohio)	11	165	15.0
Baylor	11	166	15.1
Clemson	11	178	16.2

RUSHING DEFENSE					
Team	G	Car.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Virginia Tech	11	429	851	2.0	7
Nebraska	11	341	862	2.5	6
Michigan	12	419	1081	2.6	12
Georgia Tech	11	372	1003	2.7	17
Arkansas	12	424	1251	3.0	15
Alabama	11	380	1158	3.0	9
Oregon	11	416	1163	2.8	15
Texas A&M	11	444	1164	2.6	8
Oklahoma	11	424	1200	2.8	11
Virginia	12	424	1310	3.1	15

NET PUNTING				
Team	Punts	Avg.	Ret.	Yds.
Ball State	66	46.5	29	346
Wyoming	40	45.2	13	184
Rice	57	43.6	23	181
Oklahoma State	67	44.0	31	260
Texas A&M	60	43.3	23	196
Syracuse	40	43.1	13	131
North Texas	78	42.1	29	190
Kansas	53	42.4	20	159
TCU	56	42.0	25	150
Vanderbilt	74	41.0	29	140

PUNT RETURNS				
Team	G	No.	Yds.	TD
Eastern Mich.	11	8	166	1
BYU	11	26	492	2
Fresno State	12	22	398	2
Syracuse	11	23	390	2
Colorado State	11	36	562	3
San Diego State	12	23	338	0
Boston College	12	20	284	2
UCLA	11	31	433	2
Northwestern	11	30	418	1
Michigan St.	11	25	337	2

KICKOFF RETURNS				
Team	G	No.	Yds.	TD
New Mexico	11	35	947	1
Stanford	11	39	1024	2
Cincinnati	11	37	930	1
Tennessee	11	30	752	0
Air Force	12	38	922	0
Baylor	11	25	604	0
South Carolina	11	46	1084	1
Florida	12	38	886	1
Southern Miss.	11	42	965	1
Michigan State	11	42	961	1

PASSING DEFENSE									
Team	G	Cmp.	Att.	Int.	Pct.	Yds.	Cmp. Att.	Yds./TD	Rating
Miami (Ohio)	11	137	303	22	45.2	1544	5.1	11	85.5
Texas A&M	11	150	329	13	45.6	1671	5.1	8	88.4
Texas Tech	11	153	372	15	41.0	2020	5.4	14	91.1
Ball State	11	128	303	10	42.2	1469	4.8	14	91.6
Baylor	11	148	310	13	47.7	1661	5.4	7	91.8
LSU	11	158	343	13	46.1	1907	5.6	8	92.9
East Carolina	11	157	332	19	47.3	1988	6.0	7	93.1
Cincinnati	11	162	347	20	46.7	2011	5.8	11	94.3
Louisville	11	350	175	24	50.0	2130	6.1	8	95.0
Miami (Fla.)	11	145	302	12	48.0	1631	5.4	10	96.4

## Individual

PASSING EFFICIENCY									
Player and School	Cl.	G	Cmp.	Att.	Pct.	Int.	Yds.	TD	Rating
Danny Wuerffel, Florida	Jr.	11	210	325	64.6	10	3.1	3266	10.1
Bobby Hoving, Ohio State	Sr.	12	192	303	63.4	11	3.6	3023	10.0
Donovan McNabb, Syracuse	Fr.	11	128	207	61.8	6	2.9	1991	9.6
Mike Maxwell, Nevada	Sr.	9	277	409	67.7	17	4.2	3611	8.8
Matt Miller, Kansas State	Sr.	11	154	240	64.2	11	4.6	2059	8.6
Steve Taneyhill, South Carolina	Sr.	11	261	389	67.1	9	2.3	3094	8.0
Jim Arellanes, Fresno State	Jr.	9	102	172	59.3	6	3.5	1539	9.0
Donald Sellers, New Mexico	Jr.	10	121	195	62.1	3	1.5	1693	8.7
Steve Sarkisian, BYU	Jr.	11	250	385	64.9	14	3.6	3437	8.9
Josh Wallwork, Wyoming	Jr.	10	163	271	60.2	13	4.8	2363	8.7

RUSHING									
Player and School	Cl.	G	Car.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG	Player and School	Cl.
Troy Davis, Iowa State	So.	11	345	2010	5.8	15	182.7	Eddie George, Ohio State	Jr.
Wasean Tait, Toledo	Jr.	11	357	1905	5.3	20	173.2	George Jones, San Diego State	Jr.
George Jones, San Diego State	Jr.	12	305	1842	6.0	23	153.5	Wasean Tait, Toledo	Jr.
Darnell Autry, Northwestern	So.	11	355	1675	4.7	14	152.3	Scott Greene, Michigan State	Sr.
Eddie George, Ohio State	Sr.	12	303	1826	6.0	23	152.2	Byron Hanspard, Texas Tech	So.
Deland McCullough, Miami (Ohio)	Sr.	11	321	1627	5.1	14	147.9	Leland McElroy, Texas A&M	Jr.
Moe Williams, Kentucky	Jr.	11	294	1600	5.4	17	145.5	Beau Morgan, Air Force	Jr.
Tshimanga Biakabutuka, Michigan	Jr.	12	279	1724	6.2	12	143.7	Terry Glenn, Ohio State	Jr.
Karim Abdul-Jabbar, UCLA	Jr.	10	270	1419	5.3	11	141.9	Stephen Davis, Auburn	Sr.
Charles Talley, Northern Illinois	Jr.	11	285	1540	5.4	7	140.0	Moe Williams, Kentucky	Jr.

TOTAL OFFENSE									
Player and School	Cl.	RUSHING	PASSING	TOTAL	Yds.	Pls.	Yds.	Yd/Pl	YPG
Mike Maxwell, Nevada	Sr.	34	91	79	12	409	3611	443	3623
Cody Ledbetter, New Mexico St.	Sr.	90	405	182	223	453	3501	543	3724
Steve Sarkisian, BYU	Jr.	82	136	303	-167	385	3437	467	3270
Charlie Batch, Eastern Michigan	Jr.	61	157	105	52	421	3177	482	3229
Danny Wuerffel, Florida	Jr.	46	65	206	-141	325	3266	371	3125
Steve Taneyhill, South Carolina	Sr.	66	203	241	-38	389	3094	455	3056
Billy Blanton, San Diego State	Jr.	69	225	201	24	389	3300	458	3324
Tony Graziani, Oregon	Jr.	70	333	95	238	389	2491	459	2729
Peyton Manning, Tennessee	So.	41	90	84	6	380	2954	421	2960
Marcus Crandell, East Carolina	Jr.	94	327	126	201	447	2751	541	2952
Danny Kannell, Florida State	Sr.	19	30	71	-41	402	2957	421	2916





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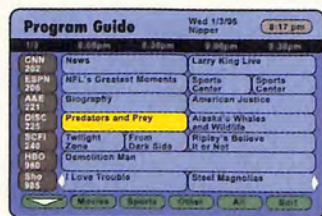


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